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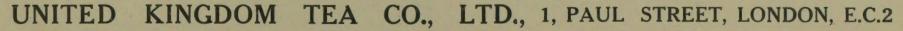


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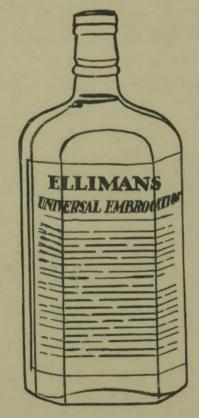
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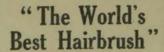


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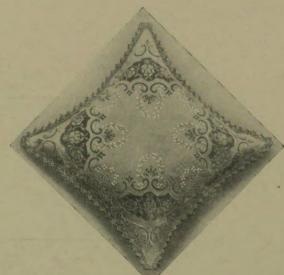
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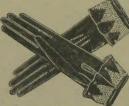
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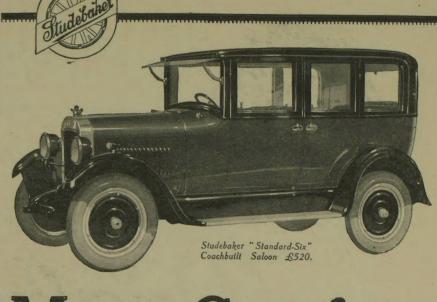


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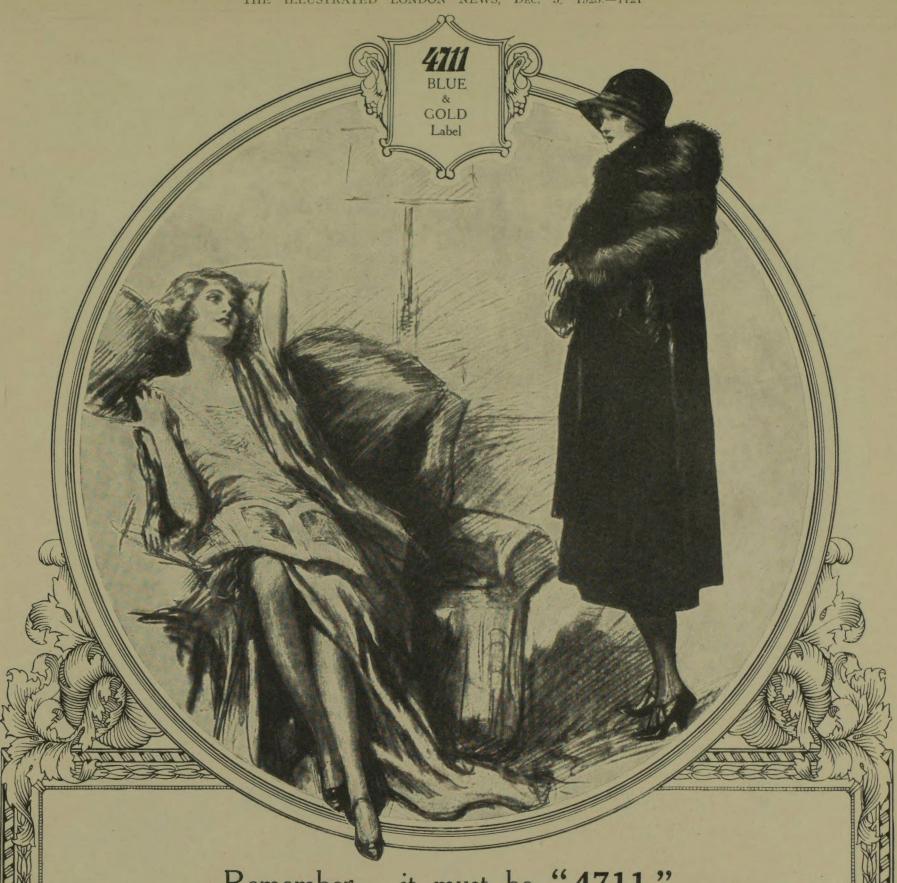
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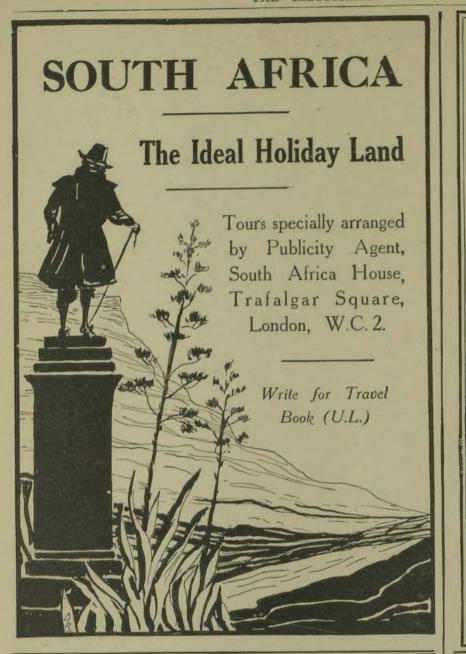
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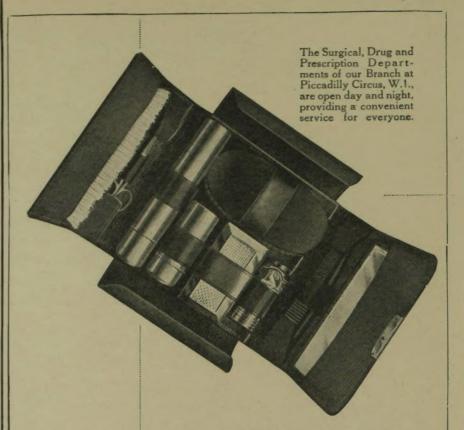
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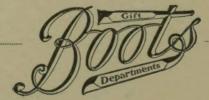
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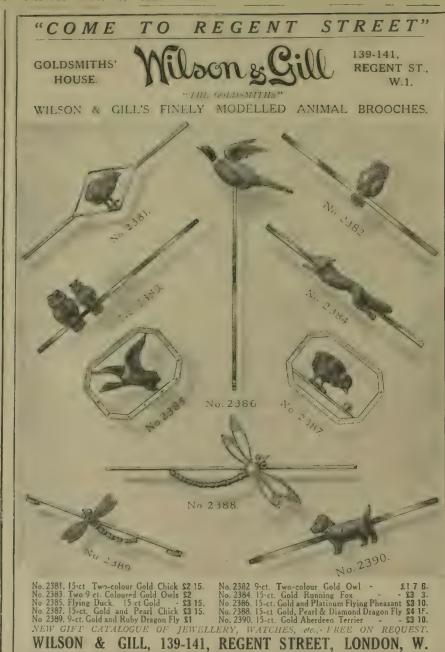
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THE PASSING OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA: THE COFFIN BORNE OUT OF SANDRINGHAM CHURCH, FOLLOWED BY THE KING AND QUEEN, PRINCESS VICTORIA (RIGHT), AND THE QUEEN OF NORWAY (IN THE BACKGROUND).

The funeral of Queen Alexandra began at Sandringham on Thursday, November 26, when early in the afternoon the King and Queen, with the Queen of Norway, the Prince of Wales, Princess Victoria, and other members of the Royal Family, took part in a short private service of prayer beside the coffin in Sandringham Church. Prayers were recited by the Bishop of Norwich, and the Benediction

was pronounced by the Rector, Dr. Rowland Grant. The coffin, still draped with Queen Alexandra's standard, was then carried out by a bearer party of the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards, and was placed on a gun-carriage to be borne in procession through Sandringham park and the roads beyond to Wolferton Station, the first stage of the journey to London.

THE PASSING OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA: THE SANDRINGHAM CORTÈGE.

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AT SANDRINGHAM CHURCH LYCHGATE AS THE COFFIN WAS PLACED ON THE GUN-CARRIAGE: (L. TO R.) NEAREST CAMERA—PRINCE OLAF, THE PRINCE OF WALES (THE DUKE OF YORK PARTLY SEEN BEYOND HIM), PRINCE HENRY, AND THE KING; AT BACK—THE QUEEN (ON STEPS), AND (TOGETHER, NEAR THE KING), THE QUEEN OF NORWAY AND PRINCESS VICTORIA.



THE FIRST STAGE OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S LAST JOURNEY: THE PROCESSION TO WOLFERTON STATION—(L. TO R.) THE COFFIN ON THE GUN-CARRIAGE, WITH ITS BEARER PARTY OF GRENADIER GUARDS, FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY BY THE KING AND PRINCES ON FOOT, AND THE CARRIAGES CONTAINING THE QUEEN AND OTHER ROYAL LADIES.

After the private service in Sandringham Church, the coffin was carried by the bearer party through the lychgate to the gun-carriage, which was provided by "O" Battery of the Royal Horse Artillery. Then began the procession to Wolferton Station—a distance of something over two miles—in which the King and the royal Princes walked immediately behind the gun-carriage, followed by

horsed carriages containing the royal ladies. In the first was Queen Mary with Queen Maud of Norway, and in the second were Princess Victoria and Princess Marie of Greece, whose husband, Admiral Ioannides, walked with the Earl of Leicester, Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk, behind the Duke of York and Prince Henry. The third carriage contained the ladies-in-waiting on the two Queens.

THE ROYAL MOURNERS: FOLLOWING THE COFFIN AT SANDRINGHAM.

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THE KING,
WITH THREE
OF HIS SONS
AND HIS
NEPHEW, AT
SANDRINGHAM
ON THE DAY
OF QUEEN
ALEXANDRA'S
FUNERAL:
(FROM LEFT
TO RIGHT),
THE PRINCE
OF WALES,
HIS MAJESTY,
THE DUKE
OF YORK (AT
THE BACK),
THE CROWN
PRINCE
OF NORWAY,
AND PRINCE
HENRY.





LEAVING
SANDRINGHAM
CHURCH AFTER
THE PRIVATE
SERVICE FOR
THE PROCESSION TO
WOLFERTON
STATION:
(FROM LEFT
TO RIGHT)
THE DUKE
OF YORK,
THE QUEEN,
THE QUEEN,
THE QUEEN,
THE KING,
AND PRINCESS
VICTORIA.



In the funeral procession from Sandringham Church to Wolferton Station, on November 26, the King walked immediately behind the gun-carriage bearing the coffin of his mother, Queen Alexandra. On his Majesty's right was the Prince of Wales, and on his left Prince Olaf, son of King Haakon and Queen Maud of Norway, the youngest daughter of Queen Alexandra, and sister of the

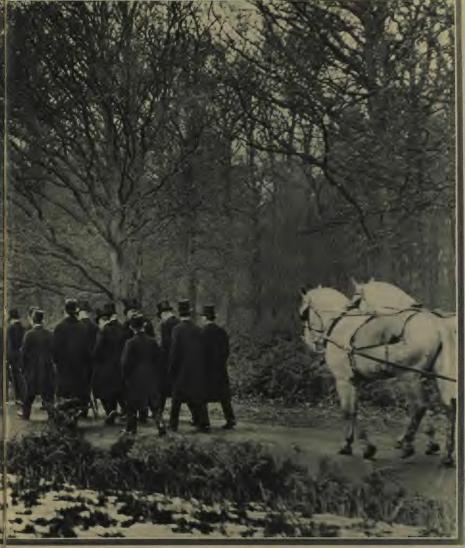
King. Behind them walked the Duke of York and Prince Henry. The youngest son of the King and Queen, Prince George, was unable to attend the funeral, as he is serving in the Navy, and his ship is at present in the Far East. Queen Mary, Queen Maud, and Princess Victoria drove in carriages in the procession to Wolferton.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S LAST JOURNEY FROM HER NORFOLK

HOME: A SAD PROCESSION BETWEEN SNOWBOUND FIELDS.

BY. I.





THE HEAD OF THE FUNERAL CORTÈGE FROM SANDRINGHAM TO WOLFERTON STATION: (THE SECOND FIGURE FROM LEFT BEHIND THE GUN-

The procession from Sandringham to Wolferton Station, on November 26, was headed by a Royal Horse Artillery gun-carriage, on which was the coffin draped in Queen Alexandra's standard, with a bearer party of the Grenadier Guards, in scarlet uniform and bearskins, on either side. Immediately behind walked the King and the royal Princes, in the order already mentioned on a previous page.

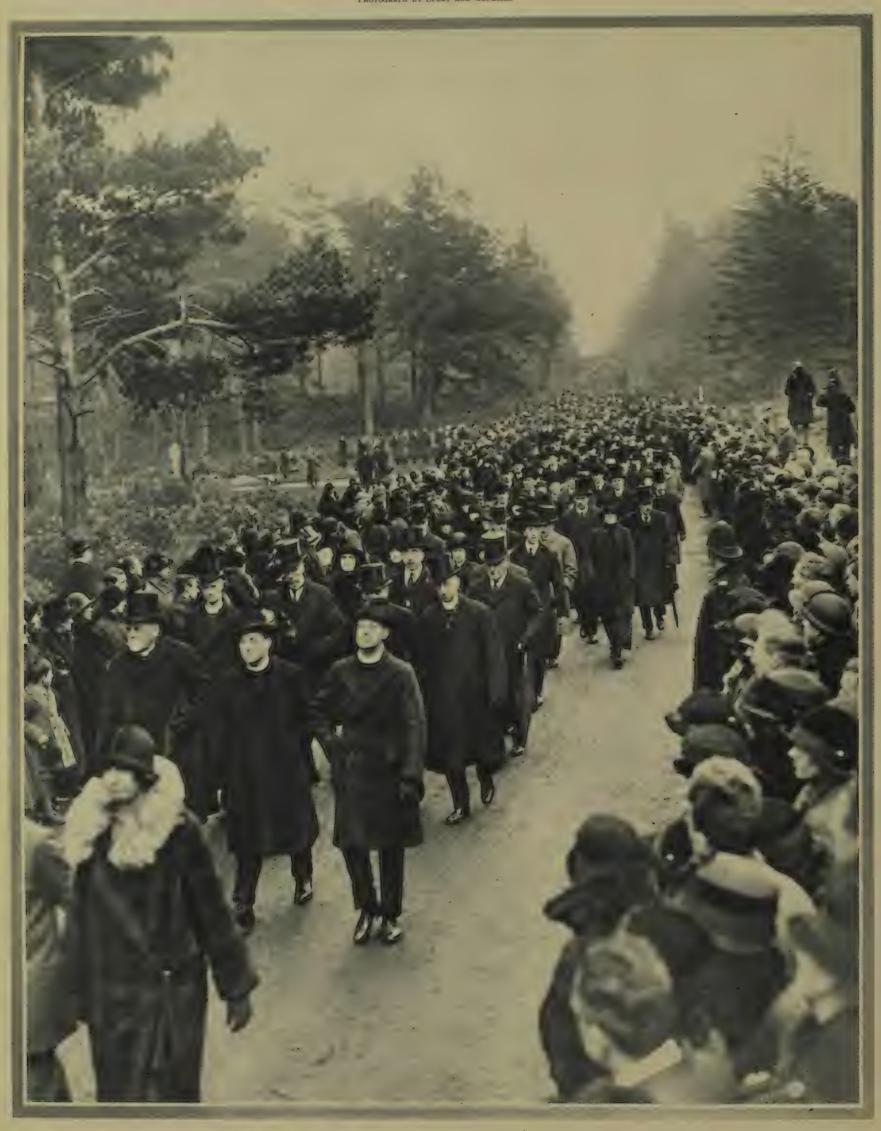
They were followed by a group including Admiral loannides (husband

THE GUN-CARRIAGE WITH THE COFFIN OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA, FOLLOWED BY THE KING CARRIAGE) AND THE ROYAL PRINCES ON FOOT.

of Princess Marie of Greece), the Earl of Lelcester (Lord Lieutenant of Norfolk), Sir Henry Streatfelld, Captain Sir Bryan Godfrey-Faussett, Captain A. Hardinge, Major E. Seymour, Dr. Williams, who attended Queen Alexandra in her last illness; Mr. A. C. Beck. and Dr. Rowland Grant, Rector of Sandringham. Then came the carriages of the royal Indices. Snow lay on the ground, and the sky at first was grey, but be sun came out before the procession reached Wolferton.

FOLLOWED BY "HALF NORFOLK" ON FOOT: THE SANDRINGHAM PROCESSION.

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WITH A GREAT REARGUARD OF PEOPLE COME TO BID A LAST FAREWELL TO QUEEN ALEXANDRA: THE FIVE HUNDRED MEMBERS OF HER HOUSEHOLD IN THE PROCESSION, WITH CLERGY, TENANTS, NEIGHBOURS, AND FARM WORKERS.

Behind the carriages containing the Queen and the other royal ladies, in the funeral procession from Sandringham to Wolferton, walked five hundred members of Queen Alexandra's household, with the clergy from villages on the royal estate, tenants and county neighbours, estate servants, farm workers, and the members of Queen Alexandra's Carving School. Most of the people were in

black, but a touch of colour was added by the green-coated uniforms of the royal gamekeepers. As may be seen from the above photograph, which shows a stream of people still following over the brow of the hill in the background, the procession had gathered volume during the two-mile walk from Sandringham, and at this point—the cross-roads near Wolferton Station—a still greater crowd was waiting.

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NORFOLK'S FAREWELL TO QUEEN ALEXANDRA: A GREAT CONCOURSE.

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WITH A GREAT CROWD COMING OVER THE BROW OF THE HILL: THE GUN-CARRIAGE AT THE CROSS-ROADS APPROACHING WOLFERTON, FOLLOWED BY THE KING (RIGHT), THE PRINCE OF WALES, AND PRINCE HENRY.

All along the route from Sandringham to Wolferton Station, groups of people stood by the wayside, and most of them fell in at the tail of the procession. By the time it had reached the brow of the hill, where there is a steep descent to the Wolferton cross-roads, their numbers were considerable, and, added to the five hundred members of Queen Alexandra's household, formed an imposing body.

At the cross-roads the crowd was still further increased, for, that being the best view-point on the route and a convenient gathering place, several thousand people had assembled there. It was a great concourse of people from all parts of Norfolk, who had come, many from long distances, to pay a last farewell to "the gentle lady of Sandringham."

BY G. K. CHESTERTON.

ST. AUGUSTINE, if I remember right, said, among many other shrewd things about the relation of religious creed to social custom: "Funeral ceremonies are not a tribute to the dead, but to the living." It is part of a truth that is constantly forgotten in controversy about ceremonial and symbol. is a point upon which the Puritan is really less religious the Pagan. If you had gone up to an ancient Greek in the time of Plato, as he stood offering sacrifice to Athene, you might very well have asked with some curiosity the question about the ancients that has never been quite satisfactorily answered by any "Do you really believe that the of the moderns: pure goddess of wisdom wishes you to kill or burn something on this particular stone?—does she really require this above all other things?
Athenian, if he were as intelligent But the as intelligent as most Athenians, might very well answer you by saying: "Whether or no Athene requires it, I am sure that I require it." If you went into the household temple found him burn-

appease

of a Chinaman and ing pieces of paper to great-grandfather, you might ask him what good his great-grandfather would get by that. But the Chinaman would really have the best of the argument if he answered, "I do not fully understand the good it does to my great-grandfather, but I do understand the good it does to me."

To find expression in emblem and established ritual for feelings that are most difficult to express in words is not merely a salute to the departed; it is also a liberating gesture for the living. It is even especially an ex-It is pression of the life of the living. The practical alternative to it is not speech but silence; simplicity. but merely embarrassment.

Not one man in a thousand ever says anything worthy of the dead, or even at all adequate to his own emotions about the dead. It is a far fuller release for his feelings to do something; and especially something that is not too unusual or unnatural to do. The motions that men have always made, uncovering, bowing the head, scattering flowers on the grave, are in the real sense individual actions. They are not only more dignified, but more direct than official speech or extempore prayer. They are not only more serious, but more spontaneous than the ghastly mummery of saying a few appropriate words." A man would be more likely to do such things than to say such things even if he were left entirely to himself, without tradition or culture, even if he were a savage or an utterly unlettered peasant. Ritualism is more natural than rationalism about these things. It is a living necessity for those who survive; sometimes almost a necessity to enable them to survive. It is almost the first gesture of awakening, by which they show that they have not also been struck by the thunderbolt. "Funeral ceremonies are not a tribute to the dead, but to the living.'

In the case of the national funeral that has just been passing across the public stage, we have most of us already had some occasion to say the little that can be said adequately in the way of tribute to the dead. It is, as St. Augustine said, rather of the living that we must think when we consider the forms and rites of such an occasion. It is rather the place of that sombre pageant in our history than any particular

affinity between pageantry and personality. testimonies of those who were in touch with Queen Alexandra herself show rather a different distinction of character. There was about her action something individual almost in the sense of individualistic. She was popular, but she was not public in the sense of impersonal. In her charity she acted as a private person on a public scale. She was not of the sort that has sweeping social schemes or philanthropic systems. She had none of that suspicion and rather supercilious vigilance which such social science breeds. She gave as people gave in mediæval times—to those asked and because they asked it. Amid many dull flatteries that are uttered about the benevolence of the great, she really deserved this great and glorious tribute: that she gave poor people money—that is, freedom in the use of property; not tickets and forms and recommendations and rules of application. The personal aspect of the matter, which always concerned her, would therefore in her own case be rather remote from this question of ritual; and those who appreciated it would tend to dwell upon her

sports. Theseus, in "A Midsummer Night's Dream," cracking jokes and watching burlesques at his wedding feast, says, "A fortnight keep we this solemnity." And though our civilisation has grown in some ways more complex, and cannot express these truths with quite the same unconscious sincerity and natural tact, it is well not to forget altogether that our fathers felt this comradeship in their grief and this religion in their merriment.

The ancient world indeed conceived that pagan gods presided over every social function and every activity of daily life; and much of the position that had been given to pagan gods was afterwards very wisely given to patron saints. But there has arisen in modern times a mood that is not so much influenced by pagan gods as by godless paganism. Its funerals are not feasts; and, in a very different sense, its feasts are funerals. The old Christian saint bade men be sorry, not as men without hope. The new pagan sage rather bids them be merry as men without hope. The frivolity of the pessimists, of the sceptics, and the

decadents has been something 'that connects gaiety with piety by getting rid of both of them. It cannot create any of symbolic forms of beauty that remain permanent as ritual or even as revelry. Funeral ceremonies are a tribute not to the dead but to the living. But these men are not living; they are of the sort would scorn that equally the little pieties the poor about mourning, even public mourning, and the traditional games and jokes of a festival like Christmas. · Just they do not understand how much life there is in the cult of the dead, so they do not understand how much truth there is in the repetition of the joke. They are not

THE FLAG THAT COVERED THE QUEEN-MOTHER'S COFFIN THROUGHOUT THE FUNERAL CEREMONIES:
THE STANDARD OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA.

death and not upon her funeral. But when we consider such a funeral as a fact in the life of the living, the question is by no means without importance, especially at this stage of our social development. It has even a special application not only to the date in the century, but to the season of the year.

Christmas is a festival of joy, and the Royal Funeral is a festival of sorrow; but they both bring in this problem of the present which has always been the practice of the past. And indeed there is more connection between the two ideas than many suppose, especially of those who are largely out of touch with the present, through being entirely out of touch with the past. For a man without history is almost in the literal sense half-witted. He is only in command of a part even of his own mind. He does not know what half his own words mean, or what half his own actions signify. And in the great human past there was a profoundly human connection between days of mourning and days of merriment. The same words were used about both-or, what will seem to some still more strange, the words were interchanged, and the phrase that seems to us appropriate to one was specially applied to the other. In ancient times a funeral had many of the elements of a feast. ancient times a dance could have much of the gravity of a divine service. They used the word "banquet" about the tragic occasion. They used the word "solemnity" about the frivolous occasion. Achilles, mourning over Patroclus, summons the heroes to take part in games, as on a school holiday devoted to

subtle enough to understand what is simple; nor have they the insight or intelligence to understand plain and popular things.

The tamest person following tradition is a little more in the main stream of life than that. He may not be an exceptional person; but at least he understands what is meant by an exceptional occasion. He may be a little like a vegetable or a plant, that only flowers or comes to life at certain regular seasons. But at least he is not like a stone that never comes to life at all. And the cheap stoic or superior person is none the less as lifeless as a stone, because he generally regards himself as a precious stone, and falls into the not uncommon geological error of supposing that he is the only pebble on the beach. Compared with him, there is something like movement in the mere mass of pebbles that are rolled to and fro by the sea.

When, therefore, we watch some popular pomp go by, especially a pomp of lamentation like that which has recently passed through our streets, let us think not only of the virtues of the dead, but of the living; and above all of that universal human virtue of veneration for the dead. Grief is a thing really popular; that fact, if we consider it, will appear very notable and impressive; and when we have understood it we may understand why the great voice that said of old upon the mountain: "Blessed are the poor," added but a moment afterwards: "Blessed are ye that mourn."

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S LAST JOURNEY: LEAVING WOLFERTON.

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ROYAL MOURNERS ON THE PLATFORM AT WOLFERTON STATION: (L. TO R). THE QUEEN, THE KING, QUEEN MAUD OF NORWAY; AND (ON RIGHT), PRINCESS VICTORIA WITH PRINCESS MARIE OF GREECE.



CONVEYING THE BODY OF QUEEN ALEAXNDRA, WITH THE KING AND QUEEN AND OTHER ROYAL MOURNERS, TO LONDON: THE FUNERAL TRAIN LEAVING WOLFERTON.



ROYAL MOURNERS WATCHING THE ENTRAINMENT OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S COFFIN BY A BEARER PARTY OF GRENADIER GUARDS, AT WOLFERTON. (LEFT TO RIGHT) THE KING, THE PRINCE OF WALES, THE DUKE OF YORK, PRINCE HENRY, AND PRINCE OLAF OF NORWAY.

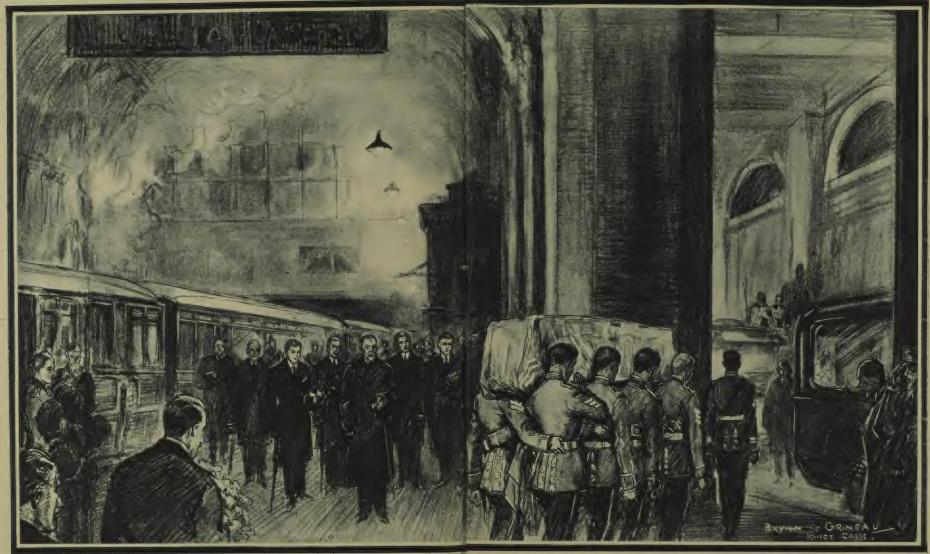
When the funeral procession from Sandringham arrived at Wolferton Station, on the afternoon of Thursday, November 26, the coffin containing the body of Queen Alexandra was transferred by the bearer party of the Grenadier Guards from the gun-carriage to the mourning coach in the centre of the royal train, while the King, with his sons and nephew, stood bareheaded on the platform. The guard of honour at the station was supplied by the Dersingham company of the

Norfolk Territorials, with draped colour, which was dipped as the gun-carriage arrived, while the band played the Dead March in "Saul." As the train moved slowly out of the station on its way to King's Cross, the band played Chopin's "Marche Funèbre." The moment recalled Queen Alexandra's first railway journey as a royal bride in England, when she travelled, in a train driven by an Earl, from Gravesend to the Bricklayers' Arms Station in 1863.

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QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S LAST JOURNEY FROM SANDRINGHAM: A SOLEMN SCENE IN THE GLOOM OF A LONDON TERMINUS.

SPECIAL ARTIST AT KING'S CROSS.



ROYAL MOURNERS AT KING'S CROSS STATION WATCHING QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S COFFIN (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT) THE PRINCE OF WALES, THE DUKE OF YORK,

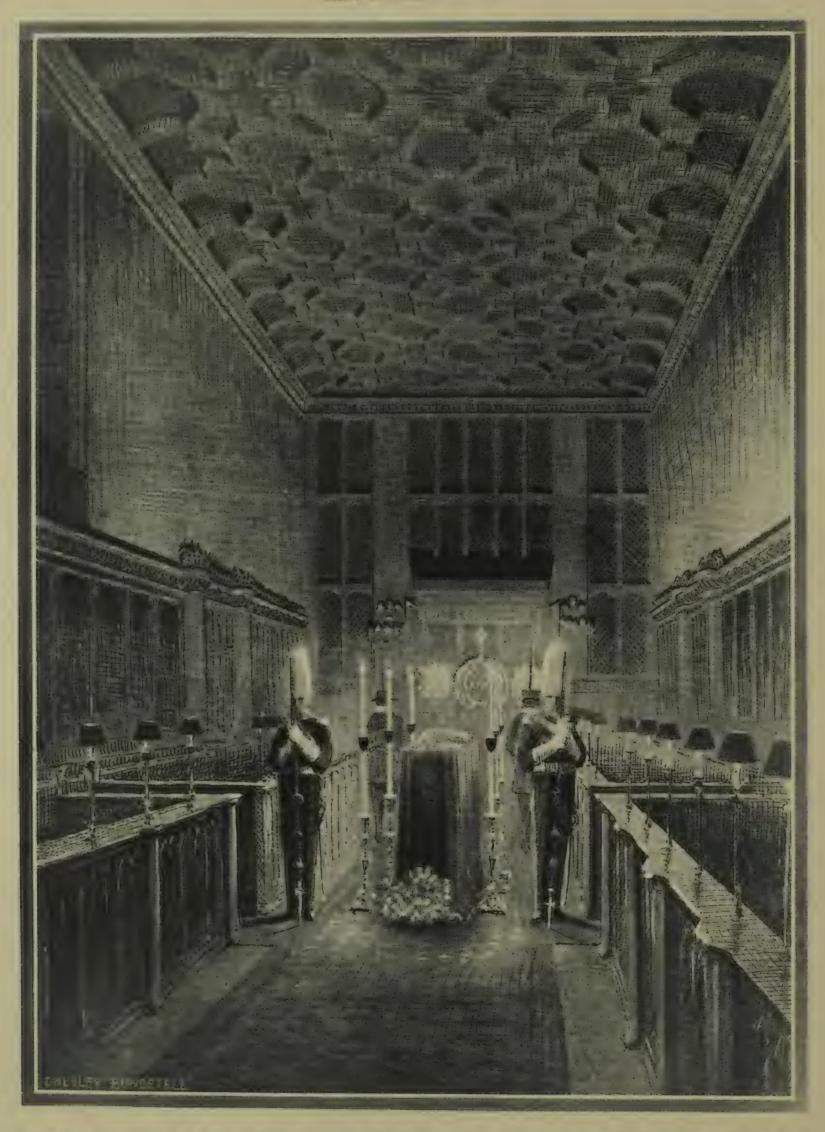
The arrival of the royal train from Sandringham at King's Cross Station on Thursday, November 26 (the day before the State funeral), was kept quite private; in fact, apart from the officials directly concerned, no one knew at which London station it would arrive. At 5.30 p.m. the train entered the London terminus, and from it emerged the King, attended by the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York, Prince Henry, and Prince Olaf, with their suite. They ranged themselves across the platform, while the coffin, covered by Queen Alexandra's Royal Standard, was reverently borne from the train, on the

TRANSFERRED FROM THE TRAIN TO THE MOTOR-HEARSE BY THE BEARER PARTY: THE KING, PRINCE HENRY, AND THE CROWN PRINCE OF NORWAY.

shoulders of the Grenadler Guard bearer-party, to the motor-hearse waiting alongside the platform. The Queen remained in the train until the coffin had been placed in the hearse. The royal mourners then entered the waiting motor-cars drawn up behind the hearse-and so out into the Euston Road, where a crowd, mainly composed of City workers returning homeward, had gathered outside the station. The hearse, with its attendant bearers, went direct to St. James's Palace, while the royal party branched off on the way to Buckingham Palace,-[Drawing Copyrighted in the United States and Canada.]

A NIGHT-LONG VIGIL IN THE CHAPEL ROYAL: THE GUARDED COFFIN.

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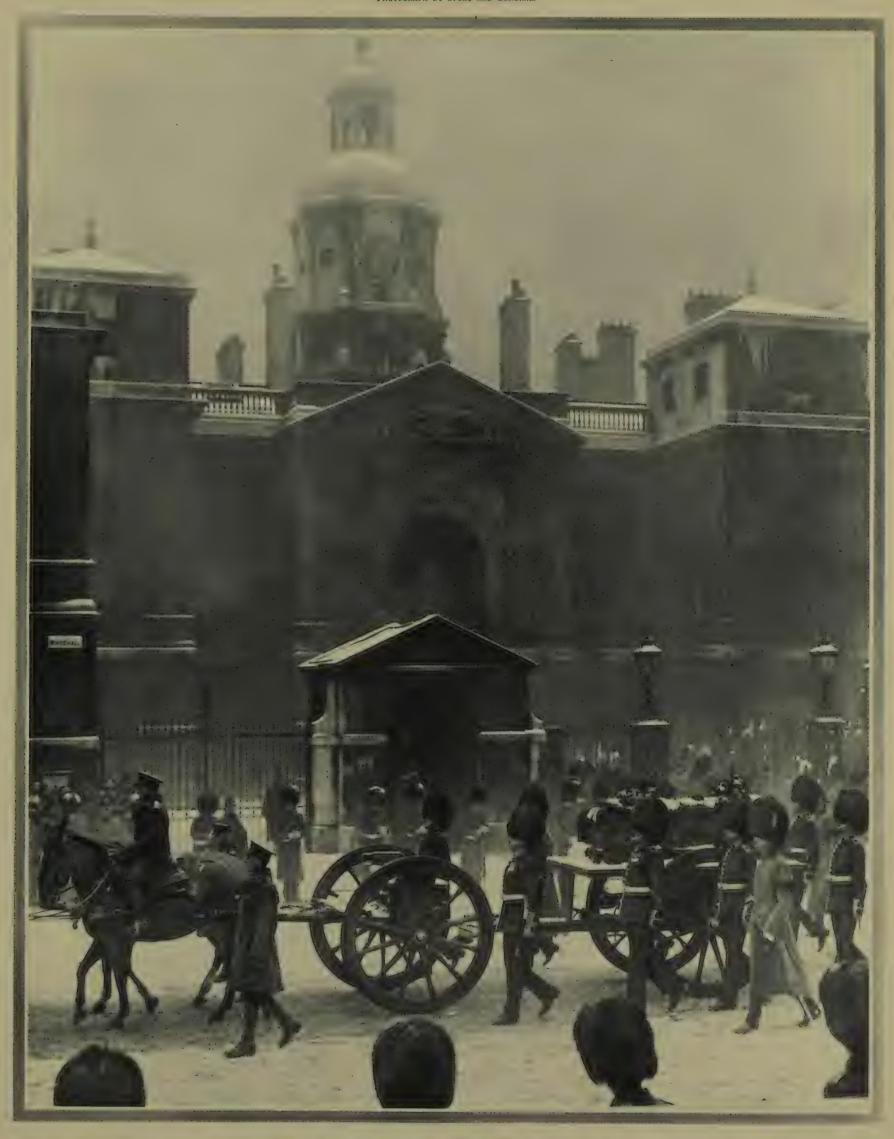


GUARDED THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT BY GENTLEMEN-AT-ARMS AND YEOMEN OF THE GUARD: QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S COFFIN RESTING IN THE CHAPEL ROYAL, ST. JAMES'S PALACE, ON THE EVE OF THE STATE FUNERAL.

After being brought by train from Sandringham to London, the coffin containing Queen Alexandra's body was conveyed in a motor-hearse from King's Cross to St. James's Palace, where it arrived at six o'clock. The coffin was placed on a bier before the altar in the Chapel Royal; and was again draped in her Majesty's standard. The wreath from the King and Queen, brought from Sandringham, was laid on top, and other royal wreaths around the base and on the altar steps. On the altar, with its magnificent gold plate, were four vases filled with white roses, the dead Queen's favourite flower. There her body rested, in readiness for the morrow's procession to the Abbey, and was guarded throughout the night by members of the Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms, with its magnificent gold plate, were four vases filled with white roses, the dead Queen's favourite flower. There her body rested, in readiness for the morrow's procession to the Abbey, and was guarded throughout the night by members of the Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms, with their tall white plumes, and by Yeomen of the Guard.—[Drawing Copyrighted in the United States and Canada.]

MILITARY PAGEANTRY AT THE FUNERAL OF A GENTLE QUEEN.

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BORNE ON A ROYAL HORSE ARTILLERY GUN-CARRIAGE, AND ESCORTED BY A BEARER-PARTY OF THE GRENADIER GUARDS: QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S COFFIN ENTERING WHITEHALL JUST AFTER PASSING THROUGH THE ARCH OF THE HORSE GUARDS.

Queen Alexandra, the gentlest and least warlike of women, was accorded all the honours that military pageantry can bestow, in token of the chivalry of our fighting Services, and as befitted one who had been the Consort of a King-Emperor, the titular head of vast dominions. The gun-carriage that bore her coffin from St. James's Palace to Westminster Abbey was provided by the Royal Horse Artillery, and the bearer-party by the King's Company of the Grenadier Guards.

Detachments of the Royal Navy and Marines, various regiments of Guards, and the Royal Air Force preceded the gun-carriage in the procession. From Marlborough Gate the cortège passed along the Mall, across the Horse Guards Parade between a double line of soldiers, behind whom stood great crowds of spectators, and through the Horse Guards Arch into Whitehall. It was at this point that the above photograph was taken.

FOUR KINGS AND ELEVEN PRINCES IN QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S CORTÈGE.

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QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S KINGLY BODYGUARD ON HER LAST PROGRESS THROUGH LONDON: (FROM RIGHT TO LEFT) THE KING WITH THE PRINCE OF WALES, FOLLOWED BY THE KINGS OF NORWAY, DENMARK, AND THE BELGIANS (L. TO R. IN FIRST GROUP OF THREE), AND TEN PRINCES WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL FAMILY (NAMED BELOW).



THE CHIEF MOURNER AND THREE OTHER KINGS IN QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S FUNERAL PROCESSION: (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT) THE KING (IN FIELD-MARSHAL'S FULL-DRESS UNIFORM), THE PRINCE OF WALES (AS COLONEL OF THE WELSH GUARDS), AND (L. TO R.) THE KINGS OF NORWAY, DENMARK, AND THE BELGIANS.

Four Kings, four Heirs Apparent, and seven other Princes walked behind the coffin of Queen Alexandra to Westminster Abbey. The whole of the royal group of mourners is seen in the upper photograph. Taking the groups (following the King and the Prince of Wales) in order from right to left, and the individuals in each group from left to right, the first group comprises King Haakon of Norway, King Christian of Denmark, and King Albert of the Belgians; the second group—the Crown Princes of Sweden, Norway, and Rumania; the third—

Prince Waldemar of Denmark, Prince George of Greece, and the Duke of York; the fourth—Prince Charles of Belgium, Prince Henry, and Prince Axel of Denmark; the fifth—Viscount Lascelles, Prince Arthur of Connaught, and the Marquess of Carisbrooke; the sixth—the Marquess of Milford Haven, the Marquess of Cambridge, and Lord Louis Mountbatten; the seventh—Lord Carnegie (husband of Princess Maud of Fife), the Earl of Eltham (eldest son of the Marquess of Cambridge), and the Duke of Beaufort, who married Lady Mary Cambridge.

WHERE FOUR KINGS SALUTED BRITAIN'S DEAD: PASSING THE CENOTAPH.

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QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S COFFIN BORNE PAST THE CENOTAPH—FOLLOWED BY THE KING AND THE PRINCE OF WALES, AND (BEHIND THEM) THE KINGS OF NORWAY, DENMARK, AND THE BELGIANS, WHO ALL SALUTED THE MONUMENT.

The most impressive moment of Queen Alexandra's funeral procession through London came when the gun-carriage bearing her coffin was drawn past the Cenotaph, the symbol of a nation's mourning for its dead. Over the monument itself, and the mass of flowers at its base, lay a white shroud of drifted snow, and the carpet of snow on the ground softened the tread of marching men.

There was a great silence as the Queen passed by. When the King and the Prince of Wales, walking close behind the gun-carriage, arrived at the Cenotaph, they turned their heads to the left towards it and gravely gave the salute. So did the three tall Kings who trod behind them, Haakon of Norway, Christian of Denmark, and Albert of the Belgians, and all the company of Princes following.

LAST SALUTES TO QUEEN ALEXANDRA: DIPPED COLOURS; MINUTE GUNS.

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IN A WINTRY SETTING THAT RECALLED PICTURES OF THE CRIMEAN WAR: GUARDSMEN DRAWN UP OUTSIDE WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL (RIGHT BACKGROUND)—
THE DIPPING OF THE COLOURS AS THE COFFIN OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA WAS CARRIED FROM THE GUN-CARRIAGE INTO THE ABBEY.



HOW THE ROYAL SALUTE OF MINUTE GUNS, THE FIRST OF WHICH BOOMED OUT AS THE COFFIN WAS PLACED ON THE GUN-CARRIAGE, ANNOUNCED TO LONDON THE PASSING OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA: THE GUN BEING FIRED AMID THE SNOW IN ST. JAMES'S PARK.

The Brigade of Guards took a very prominent part in the London obsequies of Queen Alexandra. Several regiments of Guards were represented in the procession, their massed bands played funeral music all the way to Westminster Abbey, and Guardsmen lined the route. With their coats and tall bearskins covered with snow, which fell during the earlier part of the morning, they presented an appearance reminiscent of Crimean War scenes. The snow, however, had ceased

shortly before the cortège left St. James's Palace. As the coffin was placed on the gun-carriage, in the Colour Court of the Palace, the first of the minute guns boomed out from St. James's Park, announcing to all London that the much-loved Queen had started on her last progress through the streets. The colours of the Guards, which were draped in black, were dipped in salute as the coffin was borne into the Abbey.

ON THE SCENE OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S CHRISTMAS BOUNTY: WREATHS.

PHOTOGRAPHS BY LB.



LAID ON THE BOARDS USED FOR MANY YEARS AS TRESTLE TABLES TO BEAR QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO HER PEOPLE:
PART OF THE PROFUSION OF WREATHS, SENT FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, IN THE BALL-ROOM AT SANDRINGHAM.



WITH THEIR WREATH OF 81 CARNATIONS—FLOWERS INTENDED FOR QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S 81ST BIRTHDAY: DERSINGHAM SCHOOL-CHILDREN, AND (LEFT) MR. GEORGE PRIOR, AGED 87, A SURVIVOR OF THE CREW OF HER LATE MAJESTY'S ESCORT ON THE VOYAGE TO ENGLAND FOR HER WEDDING IN 1863.

The immense numbers of flowers in wreaths, crosses, and other forms, sent in memory of Queen Alexandra from all parts of the country, were placed, before the funeral, in the beautiful gold and white ball-room at Sandringham House. There they were laid, in three long lines, on the boards which for so many years were used as treatle tables for her Christmas gifts to her tenants and household. On those occasions there was always a big illuminated Christmas tree, and Queen

Alexandra herself was present. At the time when she died, the children of Dersingham village school had just completed their contributions for the gift of a bouquet of flowers to her Majesty on her eighty-first birthday, which would have occurred on December 1. Instead, their offering became a memorial wreath. When the coffin was removed to London, it was arranged that many of the wreaths should be conveyed to Wolferton station in open farm-carts.

TRIBUTES TO "ALEXANDRA THE LOVED":

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INSCRIBED "FOR DEAR AUNT ALEX, FROM MANUEL, MIMI, AND AMELIA": A CROWN FROM THE EX-MING OF PORTUGAL AND FAMILY.



"FROM THE EMPEROR AND EMPRESS OF JAPAN": A WREATH FROM THE SOVEREIGN OF OUR EASTERN ALLY IN THE GREAT WAR, AND HIS CONSORT.



AT WOLFERTON BEFORE BEING TAKEN TO LONDON IN THE FUNERAL TRAIS: "FART OF THE WONDERFUL WEALTH OF WREATHS FROM SAMPRINGHAM HOUSE, LAID ON THE STATION



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It was fitting that ale who had been called "the Rose Queen" should go to her rest embowered in blossom and fragrance. So great was the abundance of wreaths, in manifold shapes, that they seemed to make June in the midst of November, and turn the winter of the nation's grief to glorious summer. The sight of Guardsmen laden with wreaths and crosses of flowers, trudging through a snowstorm from St. James's Palace to Westminster Abbey, seemed strangely incongruouss. At Sandringham the great ball-room was a mass of flowers, and these were sent in farm carts to Wolferton Station, where they were laid out on the platform before being placed in the funeral train for conformation from Guardines of weeths arrived also at Mariborough House, Queen Alexandra's

WREATHS FROM RICH AND POOR.

KEYSTONE, C.N., AND SPORT AND GENERAL.



FROM THE KING OF SWEDEN, IN MEMORY OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA:
A WREATH OF ORCHIDS, CHRYSANTHEMUMS, AND ASPARAGUS FERN.



WITH A RIBBON INSCRIBED "WILHELMINA": A WREATH FROM THE QUEEN OF HOLLAND,







DESCRIBED

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OF MANY
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CONSAUGHT'S
WREATH.



WITH HER DIVINAL IN THE CENTRE: A STRIKING THIBUTE FROM QUEEN ALEX-ANDRA'S OWNERIAL MILITARY NUTSING SERVICE:

London home, including that brought by four women flower-sellers, one of whom, known as "Biddy," had once been personally received there by the Queen-Mother. Many other wreaths were sent direct to Windsor. The Duke of Connaught, who is wintering at Nice, sent a specially inscribed card (as noted above) to be attached to his beautiful wreath of English and Parma violets. After the final committal service at Windsor, on November 28, all the wreaths were placed in the cloisters and on the grass opposite the Albert Memorial Chapel, for inspection by the public. There were nearly 2000 wreaths in all, including groups from the Dominions, India, and the Irish Free State, regiments, clitics, hospitals, charitable institutions, and learned societies.

ROSES FOR THE "ROSE QUEEN"; AND OTHER MEMORIAL TRIBUTES.

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QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S FAVOURITE FLOWER: A LARGE WREATH OF ROSES BEING MADE AT A LONDON COURT FLORIST'S.

FROM QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S NURSING SERVICE:
MAKING A WREATH OF SILVER LEAVES WITH
THE SERVICE COLOURS AND DECORATIONS.

SANDRINGHAM'S TRIBUTE: A BEAUTIFUL CROSS INSCRIBED - "WITH LOYAL AND AFFECTIONATE REMEMBRANCES FROM HER MAJESTY'S SORROWING SANDRINGHAM PEOPLE."



GIRLS OF THE CRIPPLEGATE INSTITUTE, MAKERS OF ALEXANDRA DAY ROSES, Among the enormous quantity of wreaths sent to Sandringham after Queen Alexandra's death were many from hospitals and charitable institutions which she had so generously befriended. Some of the wreaths, such as that from the Rose Day helpers, and one of those from the Cripplegate Institute at Clerkenwell, were appropriately composed of the artificial roses as used on Alexandra Day. The girls at Cripplegate have made these roses ever since the Day was inaugurated. Touching



A TRIBUTE FROM ROSE DAY HELPERS TO THE "ROSE QUEEN": AN APPROPRIATE WREATH, WITH THE QUEEN'S INITIAL, MADE ENTIRELY OF ALEXANDRA "ROSES." inscriptions included one that ran: "To the most beloved Sovereign in the world, the unchanging friend of the poor, sick, and helpless." Within the altar rails of Sandringham Church, while the coffin was there, was a beautiful cross of white chrysanthemums, gardenias, camellias, lilies, and carnations. It was brought by the head gardener of Sandringham House, and bore the words: "With loyal and affectionate remembrance from her Majesty's sorrowing Sandringham people."

LONDON'S TRIBUTE OF ENDURANCE: VAST CROWDS IN THE SNOW.

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A QUEUE THAT REACHED A MILE IN LENGTH WITHIN HALF AN HOUR: THE GREAT PILGRIMAGE TO FILE PAST THE COFFIN IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY.



PATIENTLY WAITING IN THE DRIVING SNOW; A TYPICAL SECTION OF THE CROWD IN LONDON; AND GUARDS ARRIVING TO TAKE UP POSITION ON THE ROUTE,



UNDETERRED BY THE BITTER COLD AND THE RIGOURS OF A SNOWSTORM: PART OF THE ENORMOUS CROWD THAT ASSEMBLED IN THE PRECINCTS OF WESTMINSTER ABBEY TO RENDER SILENT HOMAGE TO QUEEN ALEXANDRA ON THE ARRIVAL OF HER FUNERAL CORTÈGE.



GATHERED TO WATCH THE FUNERAL PROCESSION PASS ALONG THE MALL; PEOPLE CRCWDED ON THE STEPS AT WATERLOO PLACE BELOW THE DUKE OF YORK'S COLUMN.

Queen Alexandra made her last State progress through London amid the same wintry weather that greeted her arrival, as a young bride, sixty-two years before; but in March 1863—the springtime of her life—she had the spring before her; in November 1925, the winter was only beginning. Nothing could better prove the hold she had obtained on the affection of the nation, during those sixty-two years, than the wonderful public demonstration of sympathy and respect which London



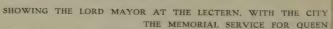
USING NEWSPAPERS AS FOOT-WARMERS AND AS CAPES OR RUGS TO PROTECT THEM FROM THE SNOW: "SPARTAN" WOMEN AMONG THE SPECTATORS.

gave on the occasion of her funeral. The weather was bitterly cold, yet from the early hours of the morning people had gathered in groups along the route, and even the snowstorm, for which they were not prepared, did not deter them from enduring the long hours of waiting till the cortège arrived. Some made shift with newspapers to protect themselves from the snow. Women formed a large proportion of the huge crowds that gradually assembled.

THE CITY FATHERS' HOMAGE TO QUEEN ALEXANDRA: THE LORD MAYOR AT THE SERVICE IN ST. PAUL'S.

DRAWN BY A. FORESTIER, OUR | SPECIAL ARTIST AT ST. PAUL'S.





The memorial service for Queen Alexandra at St. Faul's was held at five o'clock in the afternoon, so that City workers might attend, and many hundreds, mostly women, availed themselves of the opportunity. The Lord Mayor of London, Sir William Pryke, was present, with the Sheriffs, the City Marshal, the Sword-bearer and Mace-bearer and their attendants, Aldermen, and members of the Common Council. The civic procession was received at the door of the cathedral by the clergy, and the form of service was similar to that used at the time of King Edward's funeral. The service was performed in the nave, at the temporary altar



MACE AND SWORD ON A TABLE IN FRONT DRAPED IN BLACK: ALEXANDRA IN ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

before the great wooden screen erected to shut off the dome area during the work of reconstruction now in progress. The reduced space provides accommodation for only some 1200 people, but there were probably quite 1500 there. The Lady Mayoress (Lady Pryke), who was present, and had also attended the Abbey service in the morning with her husband, died suddenly of a heart attack at the Mansion House the same night. This sad event aroused many expressions of sympathy with the Lord Mayor in his bereavement at the outset of his year of office.- [Drawing Copyrigated in the United States and Canada.]

BROUGHT TO BRITAIN'S HOLIEST SHRINE: THE COFFIN AT THE ABBEY.

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QUEEN ALEXANDRA APPROACHES FOR THE LAST TIME THE NATIONAL SHRINE WHERE SHE WAS CROWNED: THE GUM-CARRIAGE BEARING THE COFFIN PASSING THROUGH BROAD SANCTUARY TO WESTMINSTER ABBEY, FOLLOWED BY THE KING AND THE PRINCE OF WALES.



JUST BEFORE THE COFFIN WAS LIFTED DOWN AND CARRIED IN, BENEATH THE AWNING, BY THE BEARER-PARTY OF GRENADIER GUARDS: THE ARRIVAL OF THE GUN-CARRIAGE AT THE DOORS OF WESTMINSTER ABBEY—THE LAST SCENE OF THE PROCESSION FROM ST. JAMES'S PALACE.

Queen Alexandra's funeral procession in London ended at the doors of Westminster Abbey. In Broad Sanctuary was drawn up the King's Guard of Honour; outside the great west door was an awning of purple and lawn, and two Guardsmen in scarlet stood at the entrance. A great multitude of people was gathered in the streets. At last they heard the strains of music gradually drawing nearer. At the far end of the Sanctuary the colours of the Guards were slowly dipped, and a

hush fell upon the waiting crowd. At the head of the procession marched the Air Force men, followed by detachments of the Guards, Bluejackets, Marines, and the massed bands. Then came the gun-carriage conveying the coffin, with the Guardsmen bearers on either side, and the King and the other royal mourners walking behind. The gun-carriage halted at the Abbey doors, and the King stood at the salute as the bearers lifted down their burden and carried it within.

THE PAGEANT OF A NATION'S GRIEF: QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S FUNERAL.

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BETWEEN SILENT CROWDS IN PARLIAMENT SQUARE: THE GUN-CARRIAGE WITH THE COFFIN, FOLLOWED BY THE KING AND OTHER ROYAL MOURNERS, PASSING ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH AND APPROACHING WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

This photograph of the last stage of Queen Alexandra's funeral procession, winding its way slowly through Parliament Square to the Abbey, affords an excellent general view of that central portion of the solemn pageant toward which all eyes were turned—the gun-carriage bearing the coffin and the company of royal mourners that followed it on foot. Immediately behind the gun-carriage can be seen the figure of the King, distinguished by the white plumes of a Field-Marshal,

DRAWN BY STEVEN SPURRIER, R.O.I., OUR SPECIAL ARTIST AT THE SERVICE IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

THE CLIMAX OF THE GREAT FUNERAL SERVICE FOR QUEEN ALEXANDRA IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY: THE BENEDICTION.





AFTER THE HYMN (CHOSEN BY THE KING) THAT SAYS-"FATHER, SISTER, CHILD, AND SHOWING HIS MAJESTY STANDING AT THE HEAD OF THE COFFIN, THE PRINCE OF

The first part of the funeral service for Queen Alexandra, conducted in Westminster Abbey on the morning of November 27, was a stately and beautiful ceremony. When the procession entered the Abbey, the coffin was placed on a bier at the foot of the chancel steps, and the King stood at the head of it, facing east, with the Prince of Wales and other royal mourners standing behind him. The Queen and the rest of the royal ladies, including the Queens of Norway and Spain, had already taken their places in the chancel. The service began with Psalm xxiii., "The Lord is my Shepherd," and the Archbishop

MOTHER MEET ONCE MORE," THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY GIVES THE BLESSING: WALES (EXTREME RIGHT IN FOREGROUND), AND THE ROYAL LADIES (IN THE CHANCEL).

of Canterbury then read the Lesson from 1 Corinthians xv. Next came one of the two hymns chosen by the King-"Now the labourer's task is o'er." After the Lord's Prayer, Canon Carnegie read the Collects, which were followed by the Orthodox prayer known as the Contakion of the Faithful Departed. Later was sung the other hymn of his Majesty's choice, "On the Resurrection morning"; and finally, with the clergy now all assembled about the altar, the Archbishop from its steps pronounced the Benediction. The great rite was over.-[Drawing Copyrighted in the United States and Canada.]

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THE PEOPLE'S LAST TRIBUTE OF "CONSTANT AND WARM AFFECTION" TO THE QUEEN-MOTHER: THE LYING-IN-STATE.

DRAWN BY W. R. S. STOTT, OUR SPECIAL ARTIST IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY FOR THE LYING-IN-STATE.



THE GREAT PILGRIMAGE TO BID FAREWELL TO "ALEXANDRA THE LOVED": PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND DEGREES FILING REVERENTLY PAST THE COFFIN IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY IN A CONTINUAL STREAM THAT LASTED FROM ONE O'CLOCK TILL MIDNIGHT.

After the funeral service Westminster Abbey was opened at one o'clock for the public Lying-in-State of Queen Alexandra. Long before that hour, however, an immense queue of people, numbering some 12,000, had gathered outside the Abbey and stretched as far as Lambeth Bridge, It was an hour and a half before those at the back reached the entrance at Poets' Corner by which they entered the Abbey. By 9 p.m. some 50,000 people had filed past the coffin, and the pligtingage continued until midnight. Every phase of social life was represented; women at first predominated: but there were people of all ages, and every degree—"old men and maidems; young men and children"——come to take, a last silent farewell of her whom all had loved. "As one watches,"

the faces," says a writer in the "Times," "it was impossible not to see that there was here a sentiment—a passion—stronger, more tender, and more personal even than loyalty." In his message "To My People," the King said: "In my great sorrow I am helped by the flood of sincere, generous sympathy reaching me from every quarter of the British Empire, and, indeed, from all parts of the world. While deeply grateful for these expressions of goodwill, I also rejoice that my beloved Mother enjoyed the constant and warm affection of my people. It is such proofs of allegiance to my Throne and Family that have given me confidence and strength in the many anxious days I have had to face during the past fifteen years." [Promise Copyrights for the United States and Cambridge and States and Cambridge

BEFORE THE GREAT PILGRIMAGE: A QUIET INTERVAL IN THE ABBEY.



SHOWING THE COFFIN OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA WITH ITS GUARD OF GENTLEMEN-AT-ARMS AND YEOMEN OF THE GUARD: WESTMINSTER ABBEY BETWEEN THE MEMORIAL SERVICE AND THE ADMITTANCE OF THE PUBLIC.

There was a quiet interval in Westminster Abbey between the funeral service for There was a quiet interval in Westminster Abbey between the funeral service for Queen Alexandra and the public Lying-in-State, which began at 1 p.m. Meanwhile (to quote the "Times") "inside, the Abbey was deserted except for the few necessary officials. At the head of the coffin, where it lay beneath the lantern, was a great cross of pink carnations. . . The chancel rails were almost hidden under the large wreaths from members of the Royal Family. . . Further beyond was the altar, with its many-coloured snields, and the golden gillter of the ferences. A few minutes before one o'clock the double guard was mounted. . . The whole made a splendid mass of colour in the grey twilight of the Abbey, and the scene was very beautiful. In spite of the inclement weather, the air within the upper windows illuminated the lofty arches and vaulted roof."

was the altar, with its many-coloured shields, and the golden glitter of the reredos.

WHERE SHE WAS CROWNED: QUEEN ALEXANDRA LYING IN STATE.

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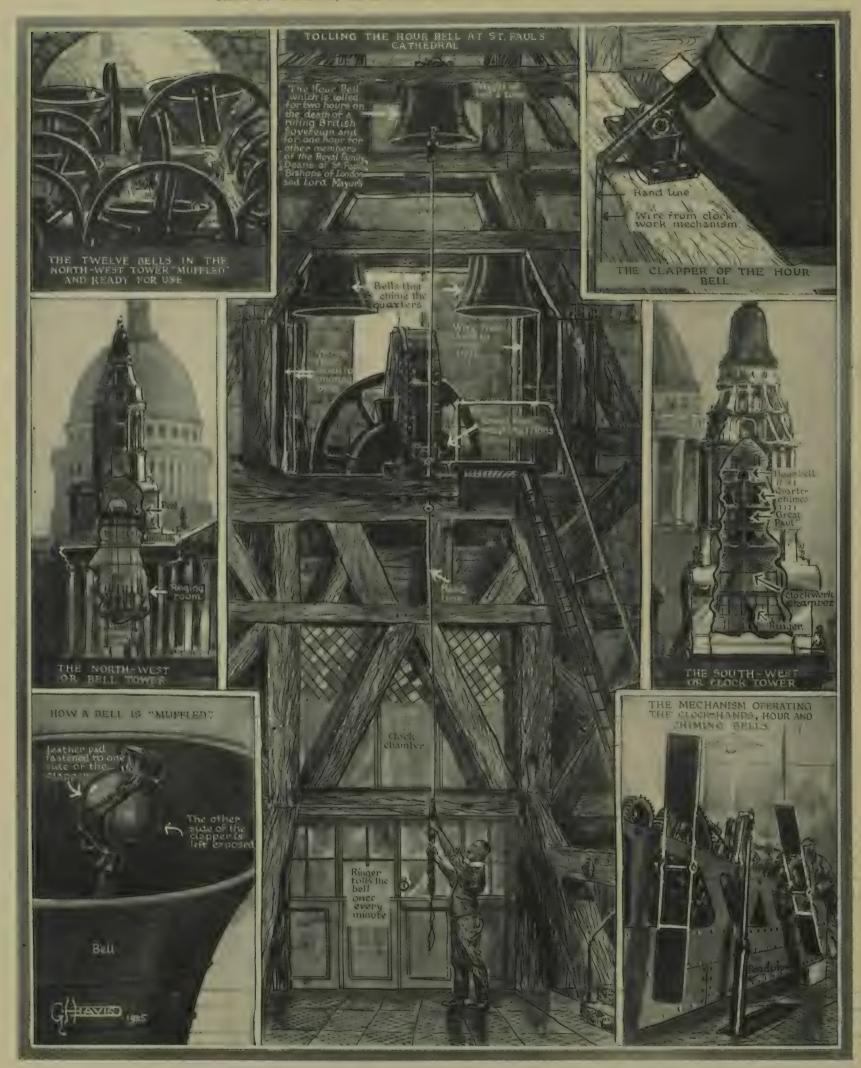
GUARDED BY FOUR GENTLEMEN-AT-ARMS AND FOUR YEOMEN OF THE GUARD: THE COFFIN OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA LYING IN STATE AT THE FOOT OF THE CHANCEL STEPS IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

During the memorial service in Westminster Abbey, on Friday, November 27, and the public Lying-in-State afterwards, Queen Alexandra's coffin rested at the foot of the chancel steps, close to the spot where, twenty-three years ago, she had been crowned with King Edward. The coffin was draped in her standard and covered with flowers. A double guard, changed once an hour, was mounted by four Gentlemen-at-Arms and four Yeomen of the Guard. "To stand immovable

for one whole hour," says the "Times," "with bowed head over arms reversed, is no light matter. Mr. Kipling has dealt with that in his story of the Indian guard which kept watch by King Edward. . . . So it was yesterday. Before the first hour had expired, one of the Gentlemen-at-Arms, Colonel Alwyn Paget, fainted. Men of the St. John Ambulance were quickly on the spot with a stretcher, but it was not needed. Colonel Paget was able to walk away."

HOW ST. PAUL'S TOLLED FOR QUEEN ALEXANDRA: THE HOUR BELL.

DRAWN BY G. H. DAVIS, ONE OF OUR SPECIAL ARTISTS AT ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.



INCLUDING THAT LAST TOLLED FOR ROYALTY ON THE DEATH OF KING EDWARD: THE BELLS OF ST. PAUL'S.

The great Hour Bell at St. Paul's, hung high in the South-West Tower of the Cathedral, is only tolled on the death of a royal personage, a Dean of the Cathedral, a Bishop of London, or a Lord Mayor. On the death and on the day of the funeral of a ruling British Sovereign, it is tolled at minute intervals for two hours; for others of royal blood, for Deans, Bishops and Lord Mayors of London, for one hour. The great clapper that strikes the five-ton bell, and daily rings out the passing hours at the bidding of the clockwork machinery in the tower, is on these other solemn occasions controlled by hand after the mechanism has rung the hour. In a small chamber on a level with the clockface a solitary man takes up his station, and, with his eye on his watch, sends

the deep tones rolling over the adjacent busy streets every sixty seconds. Close to the hour bell are the two smaller bells that chime the quarters, and below them the enormous seventeen-ton monster known as "Great Paul." Below this in the tower is the beautiful clockwork mechanism (made by Smith and Sons, of Derby, in 1895) that works the hands of the three clock faces and chimes the bells. The mighty pendulum is over 14 ft. long, and the two huge weights are wound up at one o'clock every day. The last time the hour bell was tolled (previous to the tolling for Queen Alexandra) was for Dean Gregory, on August 11, 1911; but it had not been tolled for two hours since the death of King Edward VII. in May 1910.—[Drawing Copyrighted in the United States and Canada

THE LAST RITES IN ROYAL PRIVACY: THE COFFIN AT WINDSOR.

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THE SCENE OF THE SIMPLE COMMITTAL SERVICE: QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S COFFIN, STILL GUARDED BY GENTLEMEN-AT-ARMS AND YEOMEN OF THE GUARD, IN THE ALBERT MEMORIAL CHAPEL AT WINDSOR CASTLE.

Queen Alexandra's body was removed from Westminster Abbey on the morning of November 28, taken to Windsor in a motor-hearse, and placed before the altar in the Albert Memorial Chapel, where, as in Westminster Abbey, guard was mounted over it by Gendemen-at-Arms and Yeomen of the Guard. On it were placed again the wreaths which the King and Queen and Princess Victoria had first laid on it in Sandringham Church. Later in the morning

their Majesties, with other members of the Royal Family and Household, attended a short Committal Service, in the Chapel, which was strictly private and beautiful in its extreme simplicity. It was arranged that the coffin of King Edward should afterwards be placed beside that of Queen Alexandra, and that they should remain there together until the completion of the new sarcophagus that is being made for them in St. George's Chapel.

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T will be in keeping with the spirit of this number if I T will be in keeping with the spirit of this number if I begin the week's notes (written somewhat under pressure) with a work that has in it an element of trage commemoration. The book in question is "The Fight For Everest, 1924," by Lieutenant-Colonel E. F. Norton, D.S.O., and other members of the expedition, with maps and illustrations (Edward Arnold; 25s. net). The tragedy here is not that peaceful ebbing-away of life's forces that awaits all who come to four-score years, but a sudden cutting-off of two young and vigorous lives in the full prime of their manhood. Yet, if the unknown fate of Mallory and Irvine on the topmost pyramid of Everest was a tragic fate, it was also a magnificent fate. Nothing grander can be imagined than the last vision of those two heroic figures as they disappeared from the ken of their comrades below, climbing climbing—upward towards the highest peak of the world. It was an ascension into the heaven of adventure.

The question whether they reached the summit is one on which the survivors of the expedition are divided in opinion. And it must remain a mystery unless some direct evidence be found at the next attempt. For those who make that attempt, this book, with its accumulations of experience added to that of the previous expeditions will be of immense value. It is an important addition to the Interature of exploration, while for the general reader the story of thes thrilling exploits in the high Himalaya is one of extraordinary fascination. Hardly less impressive than the final scene is the rescue of the four marooned porters by Mallory, Norton, and Somervell—a wonderful feat of mountaineering in which disaster was narrowly averted by skill and courage.

skill and courage.

The fact that the book is the work of many hands adds to its variety and value. Sir Francis Younghusband contri-Francis Younghusband contributes an Introduction, and the start of the journey is described by Brigadier-General C. G. Bruce, whom illness compelled to surrender the leadership to Colonel Norton. The latter has written five of the succeeding chapters, as well as notes on details of organisation. Mallory and Irvine's attempt is described by Mr. N. E. Odell, who also writes on geology, glaciology, and the use of oxygen. Major R. W. G. Hingston treats of physiological difficulties and natural hiscal difficulties and natural history. From the personal point of view paramount interest belongs to the incidental char-acter studies of Mallory and Irvine, and Mallory's journal letters to his wife. The illus-trations, which are very numer

trations, which are very numerous, comprise excellent photographs of mountain scenery, with many portraits and groups, and colour-plates by T. H. Somervell. These landscapes and the photographs rather tend to represent the Himalaya as a region of calm atmosphere. Those who saw the wonderful film by Captain Noel, the expedition's photographer, will remember that across the angry brow of the great goddess Chomolungua there fleeted continually a frown of driving cloud and swirling mist.

driving cloud and swirling mist.

A kindred tale of stern endeavour unfulfilled, but glorious in its failure, is told in "My Polar Flight," by Captain Roald Amundsen, with forty-nine illustratious and two charts (Hutchinson; 21s. net). This pioneer effort to reach the North Pole by air was within an ace of ending even more tragically than the attempt on Everest—that is, in complete disaster and the loss of the whole party. There came a moment when it was touch and go—when all their hope depended on the remaining scaplane (the other had been wrecked and abandoned) being able to take off successfully from an ice-floe for the return flight to the South and safety. Had a crash occurred then, they would have been certainly doomed. Their escape was the result of tireless labour and remarkable endurance. It was on May 22 that they had made their forced landing in a patch of water among the desolate Arctic ice 600 miles from the Pole. It was not until June 15 that they succeeded in getting away. The two machines had come down at different points some three miles apart, and one crew was nearly lost in making its way across to the other. Two of the party, Dietrichson and Omdal, fell through the ice, and were pulled out just in time by their American comrade, Lincoln Ellsworth, whose father financed the expedition.

Amundsen himself, who (with his pilot, Riiser-Larsen and Feucht) was with the other machine, heard their cries, but could not see them owing to intervening ice. During the whole three weeks the six men were in imminent danger from the shifting ice, which threatened to crush the machine or freeze it in, and they toiled on short rations to dig it out, to transfer it to another floe suitably level, and finally to make and smooth a track more than a quarter of a mile long, from every yard of which they had to remove three feet of snow. Anumcken thus describes the fateful moment: It was as though N 25 understood the situation. It was as though the whole of its energy had been gathered for one last and decided spring from the floe's southern edge. Now—or never. . . And now started the flight which will take its place among the most supreme in flying history. An 850 kilometres flight with death as the nearest neighbour." Even then their perils were not ended. A great fog came down, and through it they might well have dashed into the cliffs of Spitzbergen.

This book, like the Everest volume, is a collaboration by several members of the expedition. Amundsen himself writes with breezy humour, a generous appreciation of his comrades, and in suitable moments, as in describing the escape, with natural piety. Very notable is the spirit of gay camaraderie that pervaded the little company even in the meet decreases and scribes completely. in the most depressing and perilous conditions.

From heroes of mountaineering and polar exploration we turn now to a hero of the Great War, in "ALLENBY OF

and many others—"The Secret of the Eagle, and of Other Rare Birds," by H. A. Gilbert and Arthur Brook; with 36 Photographs (Arrowsmith; 10s. net). It is a good example of the pursuit of wild creatures with the camera instead of the gun. Besides the Golden Eagle, the "other rare birds" snapped and described include the Golden-crested Wren, the Dartford Warbler, divers and sea-birds, the Arctic Skua, the Crossbill, the Stone Curlew, and the Sandwich Tern. This list is by no means complete.

Nature study, again, but of vastly wider scope, is represented in a new book by the well-known American naturalist, Dr. W. T. Hornaday, namely, "A Wild Animal Round-Up" (Charles Scribher's Sons; 21s.). Dr. Hornaday is a delightful writer with a racy style, to which the American touch lends an extra relish for English readers. He describes scientific hunting expeditions in the Bad-Lands of Hell Creek, the Shoshone Mountains, Mexico, Trinidad, and elsewhere; while other chapters are given to elephants, brown bears, mountain goats, and mountain lions, American taxidermy, wild-animal photography, and the making of a zoological park. It appears that even America, big as it is, is being gradually dequided of its wild animal population. "It will not be many years more," writes Dr. Hornaday, "ere the most beautiful haunts of Nature are ripped open by improvements, scarified by roads and

ripped open by improvements, scarified by roads and tourist-camps, and everywhere infested by rushing automobiles." The book is abundantly illustrated.

At this point I find myself in the position of one trying to get a quart measure into a pint pot—in other words, I have seven other books to mention, and I must do so far more briefly than their merits demand. First comes a pair of volumes which may be classed, perhaps, as orks of guidance and instruction, one topographical and the other artistic. The former is "Unknown Sweden," by J. W. B. Steveni, M.J.I. (Hurst. and Blackett; 21s. net). I have never been to Sweden, but after dipping fairly deeply into this very readable and informative book, with its attractive photographs, I feel that I shall never be happy till I go thither, Mr. Steveni not only describes present-day Swedish life, and—what is now most seasonable—winter sport, but also tells much of history and archæology. The other book is "The National Gallery (The Netherlands, Germany, and Spain)" by Sir Charles Holmes, the Director (Bell; 25s. net), being Vol. II. of the series, Old Masters and Modern Art. It is beautifully and abundantly illustrated, partly in colour, while the and abundantly illustrated, partly in colour, while the author's name is sufficient to indicate the high value of the critical commentary.



A BRONZE BUST BY THE SCULPTOR OF "kima" AS A TRIBUTE TO A FAMOUS PROFESSOR: MR. JACOB EPSTEIN'S PORTRAIT OF PROFESSOR SAMULL ALEXANDER UNVEILED.

The Professor Samuel Alexander, which is by Mr. Jacob Epstein, the sculptor of the much-discussed "Rima," was unveiled by the artist himself, in the presence of the subscribers and of the sitter, at the Manchester University Arts Building, on November 24. Professor Alexander, it will be recalled, recently relinquished the Chair of Philosophy in the University of Manchester, and the bust is a tribute paid to him by his admirers and a memorial of his thirty-one years' connection with the University. In the photograph (from left to right) are: the Vice-Chancellor, the Master of Balliol (Professor Lindsay), Professor Alexander, Lord Crawford (the Chancellor of the University), Mr. Jacob Epstein, and Mr. C. P. Scott.—[Photograph by Topical.]

Armageddon," by Raymond Savage, with a Preface by Mr. Lloyd George (Hodder and Stoughton; 20s. net). This is one of the best of the military biographies born of those years that "shone in the sudden making of splendid names." To say that it is a tribute of hero-worship is to say nothing in its disfavour. The author, an Oxford man, and an officer who served under Allenby, has made an admirable study of the career and character of that great commander, whose conquest of the Turks in Palestine, following on his victory on the Vimy-Arras front, was in many ways the most romantic and decisive of the whole war. Although Capt. Savage tells us that "Lord Allenby himself has no knowledge whatever of the contents of this book," the author had the advantage of friendship with the Field-Marshal's mother, Mrs. Allenby, who (he writes) "generously handed to me the whole of the correspondence which had been maintained between them, both in the South African and the Great War." It is interesting to learn that Lord Allenby is a descendant of Oliver Cromwell. His personality as revealed in this volume, with his love of children and loathing of self-advertisement, reminds me rather of Lord Roberts—as Kipling says, "He doesn't advertise, doesn't Bobs." The last chapter is devoted to Lord Allenby's work as High Commissioner in Egypt.

Lord Allenby, we are told, is also a lover of Nature, and can find mental recreation in talking to wild birds in the woods. Here, then, is a book that will interest him

Biography in the bulk is the category under which the next three volumes can be grouped. "Essays in Biography, 1680 to 1726," by Bonamy Dobrée, Illustrated (Oxford University Press; 12s. 6d. net), contains interesting studies of Sir George Etherege, Sir John Vanbrugh (the architect of Blenheim), and Joseph Addison. "The Regency Rakes," by E. Beresford Chancellor, Illustrated (Philip Allan; 10s. 6d.), forms Vol. VI. in the Lives of the Rakes. The protagonist is George IV., but several other royal and aristocratic personages are also subjected to the chronicler's "rake," plied industriously among byg ne scandals. Very different are the men portrayed in "Sea Venturers of Britain," by "Taffrail" (Commander Taprell Dorling, D.S.O., R.N.), Illustrated by Cecil King (Collins; 8s. 6d. net). The venturers are Drake, Hawkins, Frobisher, Dampier, Cook, Anson, Frankin, and Scott. The author has aimed at something indivay between full biographies and sketchy popular narratives.

Finally, I come to two books discussing conduct and morality. "The Science of Happiness," by Harold Dearden, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (Heinemann; 10s. 6d. net), is a medical man's popular treatise on psychological matters, very explicit on the subject of sex. "The Religion of Health," by the late Sir William Barrett, F.R.S., completed by his sister, Rosa M. Barrett (Dent; 3s. 6d. net) is an examination of Christian Science from a definitely Christian point of view," and in a non-partisan'spirit.

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THE FOUNDATION-STONE OF PEACE: SIGNING THE LOCARNO TREATY.

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The Treaty of Locarno, and the other agreements initialled there on October 16, were signed in the Reception Hall at the Foreign Office on December 1, On that morning it was appropried that Mr. Austen Chamberlain had been made a Knight of the Gartor for his services in the negotiations, and Mrs. Chamberlain, a Dame Grand Cross of the Order of the British Empire. The plenipotentiaries who signed the treaties were: Great Britain—Sir Austen Chamberlain (Foreign Secretary) and Mr. Baldwin (Prime Minister); France—M. Briand (Premier and Foreign Minister) Germany—Dr. Luther (Chancellor) and Dr. Stressemann (Foreign Minister); Belgium—M. Vandervelde (Foreign Minister); Belgium—M. Vandervelde (Foreign Minister); Italy—Signor Scialoja (Locarno Delegate); Poland—Count Skrzynski (Premier and Foreign Minister); and Czecho-Slovakia—Dr. Benes (Foreign Continued in: Box opposite



Minister). The documents signed included the Treaty itself, arbitration conventions between Germany and France, Belgium, Poland, and Czecho-Slovakia respectively; and treaties between France and Poland and France and Czecho-Slovakia. In the upper photograph Sir Austen Chamberlain is seen in the centre at the far end of the table, between Mr. Baldwin (left) and Sir Cecil Hurst (Legal Adviser of the Foreign Office). Behind them are (left to right) Mr. Bridgeman, Lord Peel, Sir Douglas Hogg, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Amery, Sir W. Joynson-Hicks, and Mr. Neville Chamberlain. M. Briand is second from right on the right of the table. Dr. Stresemann and Dr. Luther are on the left of the table second and third from left. On the extreme left stands Lord D'Abernon (British Ambassador to Germany), who is now retiring.

PEACE IN EUROPE: PLENIPOTENTIARIES OF SEVEN NATIONS AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE TO SIGN THE LOCARNO TREATY; (BELOW) THE GERMAN REPRESENTATIVES — DR. STRESEMANN (ABOUT TO SIGN), AND DR. LUTHER, CHANCELLOR (RIGHT).



THE passing of Queen Alexandra has been a beautiful thing. Behind her a beautiful life: with her, beautiful family devotion and an Empire's love; for her, beauty passing our understanding. She is missed, and will continue to be missed, for hers was a wonderful influence. It is, however, ours to know that the good friend Death relieved her from suffering, and, coming gently, peacefully, and calmly, saved her from longer years in which there could have been but little joy, because her doctors were agreed that her health was rapidly failing. Many, many writers—many, many speakers have testified to the love in which she was held, so nothing remains for a very humble admirer to say. The last thing in my memory of her is how, when

she rose with the King and Queen to cross the chancel of Westminster Abbey to sign the register of the Duke and Duchess of York's wedding, she made a little gay gesture of declining the King's proffered support, and walked alone, erect and smiling.

It seems that we start Christmas too soon, and when the season really arrives it has something of anti-climax about it. Before the schools break up and the children are home there are all sorts of Christmas tazaars and displays and amusements, so that when the real time arrives much of its merriment has worn off. Other times, other man-ners; an elderly woman, talking the other day, said that even now she could recall the thrill of Christmas Week—the looking forward to the day of gifts, to the Boxing Night pantomime, the parties of the week. Now it is spread over so long a time, presents are opened as they arrive, the shops are dressed six weeks before the festival, there are parties even before the arrival of school boy, and girls. Although the glamour does not wear off the children's season, it is dimmed. This year Christmas will be a very happy time, for everything in the future promises well, and our great Empire is closing up in trust, affection, and co-operation.

The "Happy-New-Year Ball" on New Year's Eve in the Royal Albert Hall is every day adding some new attraction to the many already promised. It will be for two fine causes, so near the hearts of the people that its success is a matter important to our public spirit. The rebuilding of the Middlesex Hospital is an ab-olute necessity to the large and congested fringe of the West End on which it stands"; also a necessity because of the success of its Medical School and of its research department—both of supreme importance to humanity in general. The British

both of supreme importance to humanity in general. The British Empire Service League appeals to patriotic feeling—about the most ardent that there is among us. The ball is being supported by Royalty even in its mourning, by a great financier like Viscount Bearsted, by well-known public men like the Duke of Portland, the Earl of Bessborough, the Marquess of Salisbury, the Very Rev. the Chief Rabbi, the hero of the Locarno Pact, Mr. Austen Chamberlain; the Earl of Balfour, the Ambassadors of America, Spain, and Germany, High Commissioners of Dominions across the Seas, and such stage celebrities as Mr. Dennis Eadie, Mr. Henry Ainley, Mr. Matheson Lang, Miss Irene Vanbrugh, Miss Binnie Hale; such social favourites as the Countess of Pembroke and Montgomery, Lady Desborough, and the Marchioness of Zetland—who are all on the committee. The first two thousand tickets, at two guineas each, are going well; and to secure any that are left it is necessary to write without

delay to Mr. G. Sherwood Foster, 15, Queen's Gate Terrace, S.W.7; the Middlesex Hospital, Mortimer Street; or the British Empire Service League, 130, Baker Street, W.1. There will be many gay and seasonable surprises, and the occasion will be secure of happiness, as it is for good objects.

Mr. Gerald Portman, who has recently become engaged to Miss Marjorie Bentley Gerrard, of Montreal, Canada, has followed the example of Lord Airlie and Lord Haddington in choosing his bride from that great and fascinating Dominion. The girls of it are brought up nearer nature than our home daughters of this twentieth century, and nothing can exceed their patriotism and love of the Mother Country. Mr.

twentieth century, and nothing can exceed their patriotism and love of the Mother Country. Mr. in illness, until office is carried

INDIA'S VICEROY-DESIGNATE WITH HIS FAMILY: THE RIGHT HON. E. F. LINDLEY WOOD, P.C.,
M.P., WITH LADY DOROTHY WOOD, AND PETER AND RICHARD.

Lady Dorothy Wood is a daughter of the fourth Earl of Onslow. She and Mr. Wood have three sons and one daughter. The photograph was taken at Garrowby, Bishop Wilton, Yorks.—[Photograph by C.P.P.]

Gerald Portman's father, Captain the Hon. Gerald B. Portman, is the brother of Viscount Portman, who is the third brother who has succeeded to the family honours. The Hon. Gerald Portman is the youngest of the second Lord Portman's six sons. The bridegroom-elect is twenty-two, and has a younger brother and a sister. His mother is the sister of Sir Robert Sheffield, sixth baronet, and of the Hon. Mrs. Lancelot Lowther and Lady Arthur Grosvenor.

One cannot dovetail without overlapping, and much of this criticised process is necessary. There is now talk of it in villages where there are Women's Institutes, and Women's Sections of the British Legion. The matter was discussed at the last annual conference of the British Legion, and a proposal to amalgamate both under one name was turned down by an almost unanimous vote of delegates,

because the aims of the two organisations were so different. The Women's Institutes are, above all, to revive rural industries and give village women opportunity of adding to the weekly earnings by work in their own homes, for doing which they receive instruction. Side issues are efforts to brighten their lives by interest in outside things.

The other organisation is to back up the men of the British Legion in gaining funds to help ex-Service people, to work for the success of Poppy Day, to find out and give immediate relief to Service men's wives and families, and to themselves in illness, until the business of interesting the chief office is carried through. Side issues are the promotion of neighbourliness and in-

motion of neighbourliness and interest in all things patriotic. On some lines the two meet, such as choral singing competitions; but, in most villages, there is room for both without amalgamation, and with only friendly rivalry. The old grey, dull days of working women's village life have, happily, passed. Such relaxation as concerted singing, possibly practising an hour once a fortnight, or going through some interesting English literature, or having social evenings at fairly long intervals, will not take women too much out of their homes. Boys and girls see to it that they have whist drives, dances, billiards, and, in summer, outings, tennis, cricket, etc. A double set of innocent and useful relaxations will not harm their elders.

The wedding next week of Captain Robert Arthur Grosvenor, M.C., to Miss Doris Mary Wig nall, at St. Mark's, North Audley Street, will be at almost the same hour as that of Lord Balniel to Miss Mary Cavendish at St. Margaret's, Westminster. Many guests will divide their attention between the two, attending one ceremony and one reception. Captain Grosvenor is the only son of Lord Arthur Grosvenor, who stands as heir presumptive to his nephew the Duke of Westminster. Lady Arthur Grosvenor, who gained the Royal Red Cross in the War, is the sister of Sir Robert Sheffield. Captain Grosvenor, who is in the Reserve of Officers, served during the War in the 2nd Dragoon Guards, and was mentioned in despatches. His two sisters, Miss Isolde and Miss Harbara Grosvenor, his cousin, Lady Jlary Grosvenor, and Miss Edna Fox, cousin of the bride, will be bridesmaids. The bride is a good sportswoman and very pretty, and, like Captain Grosvenor, hails from Cheshire.

St. George's, Hanover Square, which possesses a unique set of registers of marriages among our aristocracy, has been rather left out amid recent marryings. The reason is probably the unsightliness of the building alterations for the new chapel, which will now very soon be completed. It will, I am told, be very beautiful, and is the memorial of one wealthy lady to a beloved and lost relative.

Very interesting are the names of churchwardens at St. George's inscribed on the panels of the gallery. They date back nearly two hundred years, and among them are some of the greatest in our Peerage. The seven suspended silver lamps always appeal to one, holding their ruby-red flames over the fine chancel. The reredos is a most interesting picture of the Last Supper, and the east window is delightful in colour and design. It is a fine church, and one full of distinguished matrimonial associations.

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THE WORLD OF MUSIC.

I T is with the greatest difficulty that the various London choral societies manage to exist. The Bach Choir, the Philharmonic Choir, the London

Choral Society, and the Royal Choral Society all draw upon much the same body of amateurs, although some of these societies are more fashionable than others. Each has its individual body of patrons and subscribers, but there are not enough of these to go round, so that they all suffer from inadequate rehearsing and short-age of funds. Almost every concert given results in a loss-except where no orches tra or soloists are engaged, and only unaccompanied music is sung. The newer the music the bigger the loss as a rule, so it will be seen that their lot is not a happy one, and that they are all still surviving is a miracle.

It must be admitted, also, that not one of these London choirs is very good. They all compare very unfavourably with the Sheffield or Leeds Choirs, for they have not the voices, the discipline, or the *llm* of their North Country rivals. One might imagine that London choirs would make in polish what they lacked in fire, but it is not so. The North Country choirs are far superior in all these respects—although the Oriana Madrigal Society and its larger offspring, the Philharmonic Choir, show evidence

of a more thorough training than the other London choirs, largely through the energy of Mr. Kennedy Scott and his excellent assistant, Mr. D. Ritson Smith.

But not one of these London choirs would dare

to tackle the great Berlioz "Mass for the Dead" as

the Manchester Hallé Society has just done. In the first place, it would mean engaging the whole of the London Symphony Orchestra, and not that mere fraction of it which the London Choral Society and the Bach Choir generally have to be satisfied with. In the second, it would also mean the engagement



PROBABLY THE ONLY FLAG IN THE COUNTRY NOT HALF-MASTED FOR QUEEN ALEXANDRA: THE UNION JACK ON WINDSOR CASTLE, WHICH IS THUS LOWERED ONLY ON THE DEATH OF THE REIGNING SOVEREIGN. Photograp's by L.N.A.

of a large first-rate brass band to provide the four bodies of brass instruments which Berlioz demanded to be placed at the four compass points of the main instrumental and choral body. The Manchester Hallé Society have their own famous Hallé Orchestra and the Hallé Chorus. Manchester, as we all know,

is extremely wealthy, even in the cotton industry's worst times, and the city seems to have sufficient men of wealth and taste to provide money for adequate rehearsals of its concerts, so that a really high

quate rehearsals of its concerts, so that a really high standard of performances is maintained. The Society is therefore enabled to tackle new works and such exacting masterpieces of the past as the Berlioz "Requiem," which is so far beyond the resources of London societies that it has never been done in London

within my memory.

In striking contrast to the enterprise of the Hallé Society, we have the London Philharmonic Choir giving for its first concert this season, on Nov. 30, "The Messiah." That is not the sort of programme to gain new members; and, of course, "The Messiah." is selected chiefly because the singers know the music, and so it will be cheap to prepare. Also there is a large public which goes to hear "The Messiah." whenever it is performed, and never seems to go to hear anything else. Society, we have the London to go to hear anything else. But if "The Messiah" were given rarely, we should all begin to enjoy it and take some interest in its many beauties; at present it is spoiled for all musicians of taste because it is so hackneyed. It is like those passages in "Hamlet," which have become *clichés*, and which defy almost any

which defy almost any color to deliver successfully.

In contrast with the Philharmonic Society, the London Choral Society is to be praised for the programme presented at its first concert of the season, on Nov. 25 at the Queen's Hall, when Mozart's Mass in C minor was performed. This extremely beautiful work is far too little heard, and the performance, although [Continued on page 1180.]

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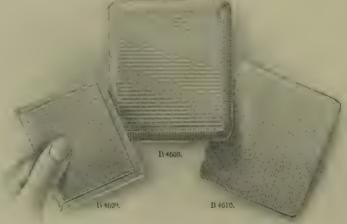
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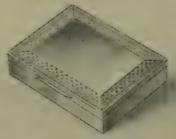
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THOUGH Christmas will be a quiet one this year, the age-old tradition of giving souvenirs to our friends in memory of the occasion remains unaltered. Already the Christmas spirit is abroad, and the shop windows are filled with rich stores of the shop windows are filled tempting gifts offering a bewildering embarras de choix. And though each suggestion may seem equally attractive, everyone's tastes are different, and the secret of successful giving lies in the care with which individual feelings are studied. In achieving this object, the following pages will prove an immense help, for amongst the countless suggestions is sure to be found, without involving time and trouble, the appropriate offering which will, in each case, win sincere appreciation.

Fascinating Gifts for the Débutante.

A happy choice of gifts is the group pictured below, which was sketched at Debenham and Freebody's, Wigmore

Street, W. The powder-bowl in blue, gold, and red papier maché, with the puff topped by a huge silk rose, costs 25s. 6d., and the braided bag in fuchsia and gold is 4½ guineas; while there are pearl ropes and earrings at all prices. Lovely bags of every kind can be obtained from £1 is. upwards, and fancy evening bags for purse and handkerchief from 7s. 11d. Fascinat-

FOR A DEBUTANTE: AT DEBENHAM AND FREEBODY'S, WIGMORE STREET, W.

ing novelties are the evening muffs of flowers and georgette, beautiful singleplume ostrich fans costing 39s. 6d., offerings sure to be enthusiastically received.

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and Silversmiths Company, 112, Regent Street, W. There is the fascinating hair-slide in tortoiseshell, rose diamond, onyx, gold and platinum pictured on this page, and the sterling silver powder-box containing Houbignant's "Quelques Fleurs" powder. This may be secured from £1 1s., and the useful hair-brush and comb in African ivory in a velvet-lined case is £3. Then there are tasselled vanity cases in engine-turned silver or gold; and cigarette boxes, holders, and countless bibelots of shagreen in beautiful colours. It must be remembered that this firm are famous for their pearls, and there is a wonderful collection of these gems to be seen in their salons.

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FASCINATING FRIVOLITIES FOR THE BOUDOIR: AT HARRODS, KNIGHTSBRIDGE, S.W.

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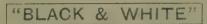






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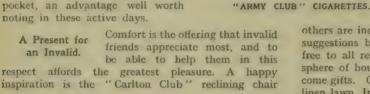
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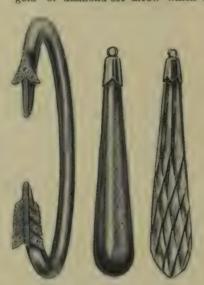
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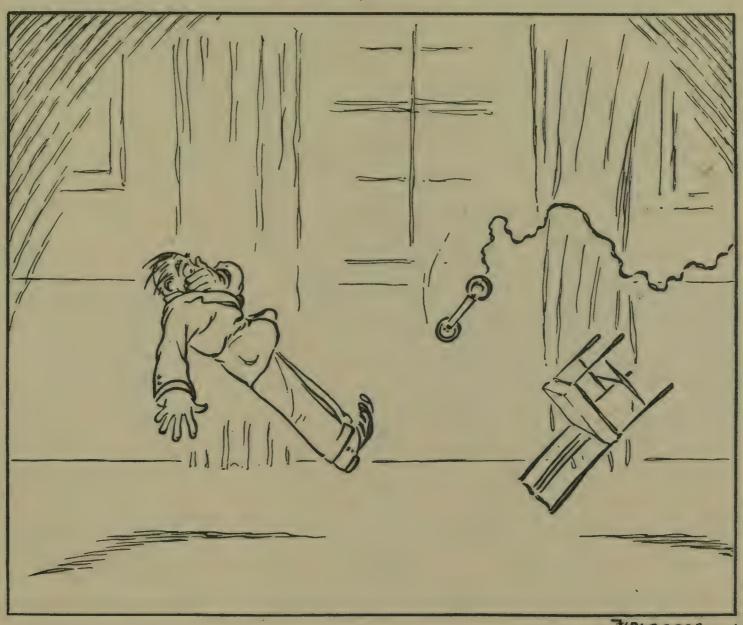
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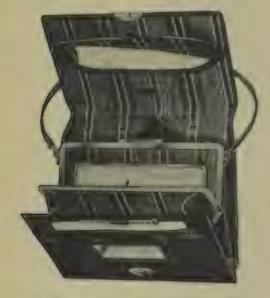
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THE CHRONICLE OF THE CAR.

After all the promises—or were they threats?—that have been held out of a new Act of Parlia-Legislation Yet.

ment to settle and codify the existing laws relating to the motor-car and its use, it is now stated that

there will not be an opportunity of introducing such a measure during the current session. On the principle that it is best to let sleeping dogs lie, it is possibly not alto-gether bad that such legis-lation should be postponed for still a little while longer. Thanks to the agitation against the "drunken motorist" and a few other trifles like that, it is not at all certain that public opinion is as well prepared to accord to the motorist the concessions he feels to be his due. There is, however, this one point to be considered in connection with the delay in the introduction of the new Bill, and that is that, little by little, all sorts of new disabilities are being imposed on the motorist through the medium of clauses in Acts of Parliament which have nothing in the world, basic-ally, to do with motor-cars and their use. Why such clauses should be incorporated in such a measure as the Public Health Act passes the understanding of the ordinary person. Neither is it quite clear why it should be necessary to include motor

legislation in the Criminal
Justice Bill, when every
conceivable offence, actual and technical, is covered
under the provisions of the Motor Car Act and the It is not as though the penalties imposed by those Acts were not sufficiently deterrent and required special stiffening to meet certain cases. Anybody who approaches these Acts with an unbiassed

and unprejudiced mind will, I think, agree that the powers given by them to police and justices are wide enough and deep enough to meet all requirements, at any rate until such time as the state of Parliamentary business will permit of the introduction of the long-promised consolidating legis-In any case, such piecemeal law - making

another and a more roundabout way of getting the motorists' money to balance his Budget. stated, and it would seem with good authority, that he intends to reduce the existing motor taxes to a figure which will bring in the £15,000,000 he thinks should be devoted to the roads, and to impose a second "luxury" tax to bring the total yield up to present anticipations, and to take the surplus produced for

general purposes. I imagine he will meet with diffi-culty in the definition of what constitutes a "luxury' car. One statement I have seen says that the intention seen says that the intention is to levy the tax on "private" cars. Well, what is a "private luxury" car? I should define it as a car used entirely for pleasure or simple convenience—the logical encourage of the private cal successor of the private brougham or landau and used entirely for the purposes to which those old-time venicles were devoted. In the eyes of the 'tax-gatherer, I believe that any exclusively passenger car, other than public service vehicles, is defined as a "private" car, and would be subject to the luxury tax, if these people had their way But there are many thousands of passenger cars in the country which are used exclusively or almost exclusively for business purposes, and are thus in no sense properly describable as coming within the luxury class. Is a doctor's car, for example, a luxury vehicle? I should say that most decidedly it is not, and must therefore be

exempted from the projected



WITH THE CROSSLEY LANDAULETTE SHE USED IN LONDON: HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN OF SPAIN. This photograph, taken just before the death of her Majesty Queen Alexandra, shows the Queen of Spain, who lengthened her stay in London in order to attend the funeral, with the Crossley landaulette she used here, a car supplied by the Coupé Company.

Messrs. Crossley Motors, Ltd., are motor-car manufacturers by appointment to the King of Spain.—[Photograph by C.N.]

as we have seen during the past session is to be deprecated.

The Raid on the Road Fund.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, apparently headed off in one direction from his contemplated raid on the Road Fund, seems to have discovered

new tax. And, if you exempt this, what about a dozen and one other typical examples in which people use their cars professionally or for business? Of course, the probability is, the motorist having no friends, that all such considerations will be brushed on one side, and everybody will have to pay.-W. W.

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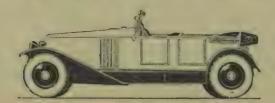
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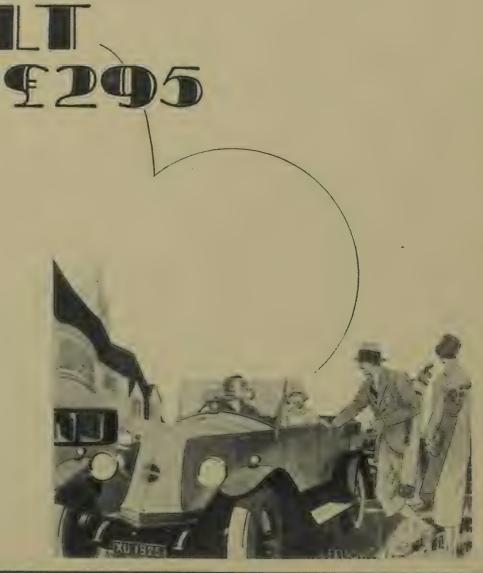
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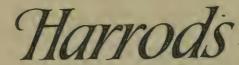
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THE WORLD OF MUSIC.

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lacking in that precision, vitality, and expressiveness which only constant rehearsing can give, was nevertheless fairly enjoyable. This Mass was never completely finished by Mozart, although it was begun in 1782, nine years before his death; but the bulk of it was entirely written by him, and there is merely a portion of the "Credo," and the "Agnus Dei" put together from his other music. The influence of Bach and Handel is strongly marked, and there is a beautiful soprano solo in the "Credo" to the words, "Et incarnatus

to the words, "Et incarnatus est," etc., which is in the familiar style of Haydn. The "Sanctus" is remarkable for the wonderful quartet, "Benedictus qui venit." This was admirably sung by Miss Dora Labette, Miss Dorothy Moulton, Mr. Walter Hyde, and Mr. Harold Williams, although Mr. Williams, as is common with English baritones, seemed incapable of anything between a pianissimo and a mezzo-forte. The fine duet in the "Gloria" to the words "Domine Deus, Rex Cælestis," was very well sung by Miss Labette and Miss Moulton, and Miss Labette's beautifully clear, liquid voice was a pleasure to listen to in the solo parts.

Berlioz's Requiem Mass offers an extraordinary contrast to the limpid lyrical and contrapuntal style of the Mozart C minor Mass. It was magnificently performed by Sir Hamilton Harty and the Hallé Orchestra and

formed by Sir Hamilton Harty and the Hallé Orchestra and Chorus, with the assistance of the Besses o' the Barn Band, which supplied the four brass bands and played with superb richness of tone and purity of intonation. This Requiem is an essentially dramatic and imaginative composition in the true Romantic style. Curiously enough, however, it is not in the least baroque or extravagant for all its strangeness. This is because the means are always subordinated to Berlioz's really poetic ideas. His brass bands, for example, do not indulge in merely meaningless flamboyant fanfaronades, but are expressive of his meaning and wonderfully thrilling. The "Lacrymosa," operatic as it undoubtedly is, is nevertheless

beautiful and simple. The "Offertorium" is profoundly dramatic, and is a remarkable example of a musician's imagination being stimulated by words to compose a vivid piece of mood-painting. The "Hostias" has one of Berlioz's marvellous original ideas, that haunting combination of flutes with trombones against a men's chorus, and its "Sanctus" is a very lovely ethereal movement for tenor solo and orchestra. Sir Hamilton Harty conducted with understanding and vigour, and there was enormous enthusiasm at the conclusion. It is years since we had a concert of this calibre and importance in London, and the train



AN UNUSUAL SIGHT AT THE HEAD OF THE CORTÈGE: MOUNTED POLICE—LEADING THEIR HORSES—IN THE FUNERAL PROCESSION OF QUEEN ALEXANDRA; THE ROYAL AIR FORCE DETACHMENT FOLLOWING THEM.—[Photograph by I.B.]

returning from Manchester the next morning was full of enthusiastic musicians bursting with excitement and cagerly comparing impressions, including some who had come from France and Germany specially to hear this work.

We shall not hear the Berlioz "Requiem" in London unless we can induce Sir Hamilton Harty to bring his Hallé Orchestra and Chorus here, for we have no organisation to give us such a concert. Berlioz's "Requiem" would make an ideal work to be performed on every anniversary of Armistice Night at the Albert Hall, for it has no religious sectarian colour of any kind. Berlioz was a man of completely

independent thought who, like Shakespeare, never gave himself up to any particular political or religious belief. We don't know what he believed; we only know he was a very great man, and that his "Requiem" is one of the most original and beautiful compositions in modern music.

The Royal Philharmonic Society honoured Sir Edward Elgar at its last concert by presenting him with its gold medal, and devoting the entire programme to his compositions, which he conducted himself. The Philharmonic Society has guarded its honours fairly well. Among its list of gold medallists there are only

the following English composers Sterndale Bennett, Frederick Delius, and Sir Alexander Mac-kenzie. The presence of the last name and the absence of his at least equally distinguished contemporary, the late Sir Charles Stanford, may occasion surprise. Sullivan is a serious omission, and no doubt Dr. Vaughan Williams will sooner or later be added; but, apart from them, I can think of no English composer during the last hundred years whose name cries out for inclusion. When one thinks of all the musicians who, during that period, enjoyed enormous popular repute, it will, I think, be admitted that the Honorary Committee of Management of the Society has shown considerable discretion and capacity to resist temptation. Sir Edward Elgar is unquestionably the most distinguished of living English composers, and even those musicians

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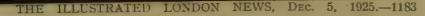
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matters have now come to such a pass that a reward of ten shillings is being paid for every seal killed. Numbers are being shot, it would seem, from the patrol-boat of the Eastern Sea Fisheries Commission, which operates between the Humber and Great Yarmouth. It may be that a reduction of the numbers of these animals has become necessary, but this method of thinning is open to one very grave objection. And that is that large numbers must be fated to die a lingering death from wounds.

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They are accused, I believe, of depleting the flat-fish of this area; but, so far as I can make out, no steps are being taken to examine the stomachs of the animals killed, in order that the exact nature of their food may be discovered. Unless, and until, this is done, this slaughter may defeat its own ends. This much is apparent from the Report of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries on the plaice-fishery, wherein it is pointed out that thinning of the numbers

of the young fish which resort to the shallow water of the young fish which resort to the shallow water fringing the shore is essential. In this case, the seals may be performing a service. It is highly probable, indeed, that the shortage of marketable fish is due to quite other causes, which call for very different measures. Again and again I have urged that, before these rough and random remedial measures.

are put in force, a careful study of the whole problem should be made, lest the remedy should prove worse than the disease. Not once, but many times, in various parts of the world, blind vengeance has been substituted for cool, calculating investigation. Harm, sometimes irreparable, has been done where good was intended. was intended.

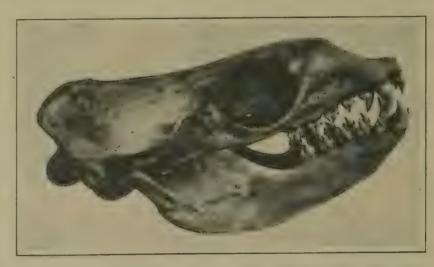
Some time ago a great outcry was made by the fishermen against the protection of the terns, whose breeding colonies on Blakeney Point, Norfolk, are so jealously guarded. An angry deputation demanded the

removal of this protec tion. 1 then advocated page, it may be remem-

bered, that an enquiry bered, that an enquiry should first be made, and suggested that a certain number of these birds should be shot and that a representative of the fishermen should be appointed to join in the investigation, so that first-hand information could be hand information could be obtained by those whose interests seemed to be threatened. This course was adopted, and throughout the breeding - season this year a certain number

of each species were killed for this purpose. The result has entirely satisfied the fishermen, and was just what I foretold it would be-the birds were exonerated. One species, the Lesser Tern, was found to feed largely on small crustacea, and not on fish. The rest, they were satisfied, were not injurious to the fishing interests. Had this course not been followed, some interesting colonies of these beautiful birds would have been wiped out of existence, and all to no purpose. It is surely time that we abandoned these insane and savage methods of ordering executions before the accused have been tried. The result of such methods is generally the destruction of harmless and often beautiful creatures, followed by the discovery that the evil to be alleviated still remained. Not seldom, indeed, it has been found, when too late, that friends instead of enemies had been slain.

Slowly but surely the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries is turning its attention to this aspect of "economic zoology." But we are still far behind the times. America, and some of our colonies, as with Canada, have a "Bureau of Economic Ornithology," charged with the task of investigating the native birds in regard to their habits and their relation to man's interests. The conservation of wild animals, both furred and feathered, is one of the great features



SHOWING THE TEETH IN BOTH JAWS AND THEIR SINGULAR CUSPS: THE SKULL OF THE CRAB-EATING SEAL, WHICH FEEDS ON SMALL CRUSTACEA.

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protecting industries. We are the trustees for posterity in this matter, and have no absolute right of life and death. Who among us would advocate pulling down St. Paul's for the purpose of relieving the congested state of the traffic in the Strand? Or of sweeping away Westminster Abbey to provide a site for the erection of a block of flats, to relieve the housing problem? Yet we consent to the extermination of wild animals of all kinds to attain some imaginary good. It is possible that the seals in the Wash have become too numerous, and so are endangering come too numerous, and so are endangering our food-supply. At present we do not know this to be the case, we only "believe" this to be so. This point should be settled before slaughter begins.

Some may remark that they would rather Some may remark that they would rather have salmon than seals any day. They are those who have never seen either, probably, in their native fastnesses—and have no desire to do so. But there are many of us who like both, and like them even better alive than dead. We like to study them, sometimes for their own sakes, sometimes for the solution of some problem in regard to some one or other of the infinite manifestations which life presents to us. It may be a problem of "merely" philosophic interest, it may concern some more practical issue; as when the designer of aeroplanes turns his attention to the study of gulls or cormorants. attention to the study of gulls or cormorants I have been asked to supply facts in regard

I have been asked to supply facts in regard to both in this connection, quite recently.

Now, the seal is one of our most interesting mammals; and he presents many problems at present insoluble. Why, for example, should the seal-tribe have branched out into two different types hair-seals and fur-seals? Our seal belongs to the first-named group. His hide lacks the undercoat of fur which is so valuable to the furrier. Both live in the same element. Why should one have developed this undercoat and not the other? The conditions of life are apparently identical. The sea-lion, like the hair-seal, has no under-fur. In shape and make he is identical with the fur-seal, and has retained the use both of

fore- and hind-limbs while on land. The hair-seals have lost the use of both when ashore. Why? The nave lost the use of both when ashore. Why? The fur-seal and the sea-lion, again, have at least vestiges of an external ear-conch. The hair-seals have lost even this, though occasionally it is present in the great grey seal. Again, we ask, why?

The seals and sea-lions are fish-caters, with the exception of the crab-cating seal and Ross's seal of the Antarctic. The first-named animal has taken



A RELATIVE OF THE PERSECUTED SEALS OF THE WASH THAT DOES NOT FEED ON FISH: THE HEAD OF THE CRAB-EATING SEAL, WHICH LIVES ON SMALL CRUSTACEA.

The Crab-Eating Seal lives on the small crustacea known as Euphausiæ. This photograph shows the wide mouth and the modified teeth of the lower jaw.

to a diet not so much of crabs, as its name suggests to a diet not so much of crabs, as its name suggests, as of the small crustacea known as Euphausiæ, which swarm in these waters. To this end, apparently, the teeth have assumed a very remarkable form, being broken up into a pyramid of cusps, so that, as the mouth is closed, the water is forced through the interstices, leaving the solid food behind. The whales, to effect the same end, have developed the curious structures known as whalebone, or "baleen." How did these changes in these two animals come about? But more than this. The crab-cating seal, in old age, turns vegetarian, and becomes an eater of seaweed. Here, again, is a problem awaiting solution. The answers to these puzzling questions may be reserved for generations yet unborn, unless some enterprising company is floated to exploit the Euphausiae for the purpose of putting on the market some sort of "crab-paste," when a demand will be made for the extermination of the "crab-eater" because of its raids on this precious source of revenue! Ross's seal, on the other hand, feeds on cuttle-fish, and to this end the incisors and canines have become transformed into delicate, needle-pointed, recurved

formed into delicate, needle-pointed, recurved hooks; while the rest of the teeth have become reduced to mere vestiges. The soft bodies of cuttle-fish slither to their destination without the need of mastication once the hooks have taken a good grip.

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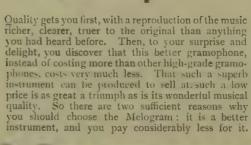
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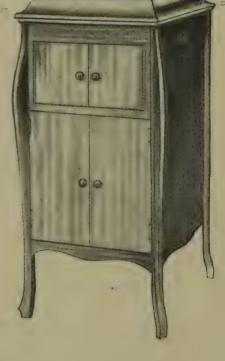
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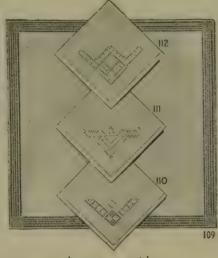
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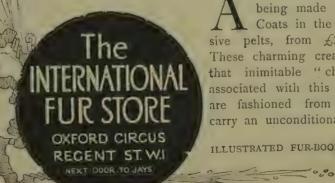
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THE WORLD OF THE THEATRE

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NE day, so we are told, a certain Mr. James Corbet, whom some suspect to be none other than our popular Matheson Lang, found a novel on a railway books all. It was called "The Chinese Bungalow,"

and when he had read it he decided that here was the material for a popular play. He sent for the author, Mrs. Marion Osmond, and between the two the play promptly materialised. It is very likely to become a second "Mr. Wu," to which it bears a district resemble to the play if not in a positive year. blance, if not in quality, yet in its appeal to the masse The story is dramatic. In short, it deals with the re-venge of a wealthy Chinese who discovered that his white wife had an intrigue with a young Englishman. When he was sure of his facts and we all know how subtle are the yellow races in the game of spying — he killed the lover by sending him a pet cat with poisoned claws a strange device. He cloistered the wife in his bungalow, and dispatched her to Singapore to be cast back into the European world.

And he cited the lover's brother — in love with his wife's sister—who had sup planted him in his affections, to a strange duel. He offered him champagne, and when they had both drained the cup he told the Englishman that one of the glasses had been poisoned: the lover from the offices of would die. The Englishman—a touch methinks a little unnecessary and unmanly—in natural fear humbled himself to the

But it was the latter who had swallowed the fatal dose.

These very keynotes indicate the nature of the It is theatrical, and, with concessions to logic and probability, excellent melodramatic material. keeps the audience on tenterhooks. There is mystery

Europeans, for, apart from a sudden passionate infatuation, there was no reason for the European wife to play him false. He loved her; he spoilt her as his little "Cherry Blossom"; he gave her all wealth could give, and never was there any inkling of bad treatment or cruelty. So really the Chinaman was much

wronged. He deserved our sympathy, and had good cause to wreak vengeance. Generally the Europeans are strangely drawn: they have neither tact nor discretion; they talk over all their secrets in a bungalow open on all sides—no wonder the wily Chink glided hither and thither, and made good use of all he heard! But these are faults of construction that can be easily remedied—the second act wants overhauling from beginning to end. When all is said, and the play is considered as one of situ-ations rather than of in-wardness, it makes an ex-cellent entertainment. It grips and it attracts by its make-believe, if not its realism, of Chinese surroundings in the lonesome world of a

Malay plantation.

As in "Mr. Wu," Mr.

Matheson Lang gave a magnificent study of the Chinaman. His personality was striking. With simple means the transformation of his features was complete. In parlance, too, he was typical of the cultured Celestial. His English was well-nigh perfect—choice, poetic, mellowed by the constant pronunciation of the letter "r" as a soft "l." His repose, approaching to phlegm, was

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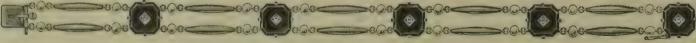
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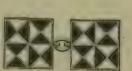
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to his servants, a strident note suddenly breaking through his evenness of speech, would reveal the inner man—he reminded one of a living Sphinx. When the poison did its work, there was no stagey elaboration. We saw a tightening of muscles, a bulging of eye-balls, a spasm creeping over a tower. ing figure like a snake, then a fell swoop as if a column were broken at its base. Plastically this death scene is one of the finest things Matheson Lang has ever done; it was consistent with the dignity with which he invested this figure which overshadowed the

Europeans as a superman.

The selection of Miss Diana Hamilton as the English The selection of Miss Diana Hamilton as the English wife was one of happy contrast. If he was all strength, she was all frailty. She literally trembled through her part like an aspen-leaf—ever in contrition of the faux pas, ever in fear of his revenge that hovered over her being like a mysterious scourge. Hers was an appalling portrayal. Mr. Henry C. Hewitt tried to cut a manly figure as the Englishman, and succeeded beyond the merits of the part; and Miss Winifred Izard was just the type of English girl that would impress the Chinaman by her composure, her fine figure, and her importurbable dignity in trouble. figure, and her imperturbable dignity in trouble.

Something strange happened to me the other day, Something strange happened to me the other day, and on my way I found that others experienced the same sensation. Surely, of all entertainments in the world, musical comedy is the last from which one would expect an emotional stir. It may amuse, please, charm, make one feel "good" and cheery; but, except once in an adaptation of "Madame Sans-Gène" set to music, I do not remember that strange feeling which seizes you by the throat, tugs some-

where around the heart, and, generally, causes a vibration which Gilbert described as exquisite pain. Yet to Miss Evelyn Laye I owe this peculiar rousing which for a moment lifted me beyond the pleasantry of "Betty in Mayfair" and its gay tunes.

She had conquered her audience at once. Hers was no mere frolic in hopping and skipping through the

was no mere frolic in hopping and skipping through the part of the sweet and artful Betty. Here was comedy; a sense of character; a smile of witchery; an eye that laughed in the joy of living. And teeth—oh! such lovely pearly teeth that, I cannot express how, seemed to add savour and a roguish raillery to the words when Betty beguiled the world in her playing the early-Victorian game with a very neo-Georgian feminine mind. Then in the midst of banter came the touch of sentiment. Betty suddenly became serious; a little ashamed, she seemed, of her mummery in crinoline and bustle to win her young swain. I do in crinoline and bustle to win her young swain. I do not exactly remember what she said; it was something about love, youth, the heart-something very simple, archaic, the kind of thing, for aught I know, we may all have said when we were in love and twenty. It was strangely uplifting and affecting—not, perhaps, what she said, but the way she said it. The audience what she said, but the way she said it. The audience seemed breathless. After much laughter, all was still. The tone of that voice, the sincerity of it, the unaffected accompaniment with little sighs akin to sobs, moved us all. Youth was on the stage and floated through the air. We dwelt in the marble halls of remembrance. "Toute une jeunesse," as the French poet called it, filed through our minds, and for a short spell cast us back to the years of hope and glory, when the hardness of life had not yet tampered with ideals. It was a delightful sensation, like a radiant ideals. It was a delightful sensation, like a radiant sun breaking through a cloudy firmament. I looked

at faces, and in them I read that eerie exaltation that makes poets of us all-if the spell could but be made

The scene over, we returned to reality, and the pre-eminent thought was—what an actress, what promise, what possibilities! And lest the impression should be floating, not deep enough, there came another should be floating, not deep enough, there came another episode, when Betty confessed to her lover, and, with rue and with humbling of herself, told him that she was not the coy Victorian maiden he had seen, but a little vixen, a hoyden, a gay deceiver, who for all contrition could but offer her love. Again we were charmed and hushed and moved. The artist surged and held us at will. Hers is the gift that in gentle vein makes all the world kin. Nor would I lead her to disaffection from the light art which she graces. She is yet very young—scarce in the midst of the She is yet very young—scarce in the midst of the twenties—with already a record for remembrance, Pompadour and Cleopatra among its numbers. For aught I know, if transferred from the facile domain of musical comedy to the more concrete building of of musical comedy to the more concrete building of real characters, she may prove to have much to learn. The more she disports herself in freedom of song and dance, the more will she develop. But this is certain; her future, unless her young head be turned by adulation—and I hope that, in speaking so enthusiastically yet so truly of her gifts, I may not aid and abet such deflection!—is mapped out. I see her in my mind's eye in many emotional parts, from "The Lady of the Camellias" to Barrie's "Mary Rose" and Shaw's "Candida." An actress of mark to come; the only one to fill the place of Meggie Albanesi, whose mother, one to fill the place of Meggie Albanesi, whose mother, in tender remembrance of the first Betty, sent her a tribute for encouragement and—unwittingly, perhaps-in token of augury.



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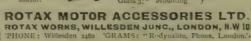
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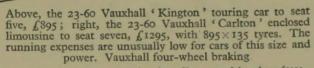
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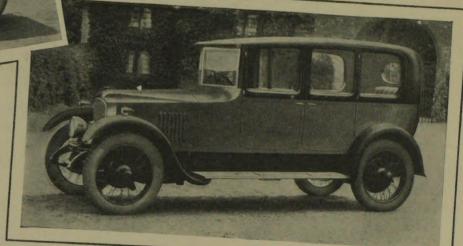
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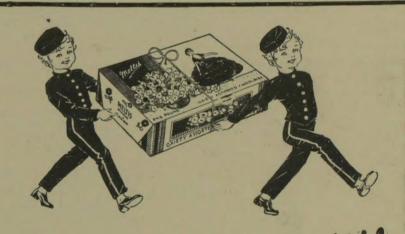
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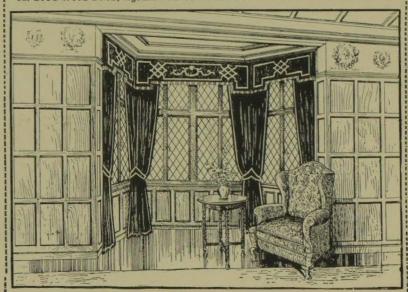
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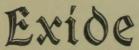
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